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Coalition crisis averted

By LEORA FRUCHT

JERUSALEM — A coalition crisis in Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's government was narrowly averted by a last minute accord between Labor's two feuding coalition partners, Shas and Meretz. The agreement was reached hours before a vote on a no confidence motion, submitted by the ultra-Orthodox Shas party, decrying recent comments made by Education Minister Shulamit Aloni, leader of Meretz. In return for not voting against the government, the accord will enable Shas' Deputy Education Minister Moshe Maya to be involved in the preparation and application of Jewish studies programs in the secular state education system. Until now, Maya has been responsible for overseeing Shas' own religious school network.

Irving defies law

By RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Whither David Irving?

The British Holocaust revisionist, who entered and stayed in Canada despite an order barring him and another ordering him to leave the country within 48 hours, faced deportation to Great Britain as *The CJN* went to press Monday afternoon.

Minutes before midnight Sunday, Irving attempted to cross over into the United States, which refused to accept him. He spent the night at an immigration detention centre in Niagara Falls, Ont., pending a hearing Monday.

It is not known why U.S. officials refused Irving entry. Some speculate it may have been because the author did not truthfully disclose the purpose of his visit when he entered Canada, or because he entered Canada despite an order barring him from doing so.

Irving's odyssey began last month, when he was served in Los Angeles with an order barring him entry to Canada, where he had scheduled a two-week, five-province speaking tour.

Irving nevertheless sneaked into the country at the Niagara Falls crossing and made his way to Victoria, where he delivered a speech in a restaurant to about 100 supporters.

Just as he was about to finish, police officers moved in and arrested him.

Irving's lawyer, Doug Christie, then appealed to Federal Court for an injunction to rescind the order banning his client. Judge Barry Strayer allowed the ban to stand.

At an adjudication hearing Friday, Irving was given 48 hours to leave after Christie and officials of the immigration department struck a deal.

The deal allowed Irving to leave under a departure notice rather than a more serious and immediate deportation order.

But Irving made full use of the 48-hour window. He came to Toronto over the weekend, where he delivered a speech to about 100 followers at the Primrose Hotel.

It was after the speech he tried to cross into the United States.

Immigration department spokesman Milt Best told *The CJN* Monday morning that a hearing in Niagara Falls was called on charges that Irving did not comply with his order to leave.

Best said Irving was technically on Canadian soil after the stroke of midnight Sunday, when the 48 hours had elapsed.

He said Irving faces deportation to his native England because the Americans don't want him.

Irving has admitted he lied when he crossed the border into Canada. He said he told officials than he would be touring Ontario.

At a press conference Monday morning, B'nai Brith Canada said allowing Irving 48 hours to leave "is like giving the fox 48 hours to leave the chicken coop."

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Israel, Jordan agree on agenda for peace

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Israeli policy-makers have described an agreement reached with Jordan on an agenda for the next round of peace talks as a "major breakthrough" and a model for negotiations with Syria.

Publication of the contents of the agreement in the Jordanian press was seen here as an indication it has been approved by King Hussein, opening the way for substantive negotiations when the talks resume in Washington.

Its most important clause is a declaration of intent that efforts by the parties are likely to be concluded by a "peace treaty," the highest form of peace in the diplomatic lexicon.

Notwithstanding the consensus among Arab states on the need for a comprehensive settlement, Jordan consulted neither the Syrians nor the Palestinians before agreeing to the "peace treaty" language, political sources in Jerusalem said.

Several government ministers spoke in upbeat terms after hearing a report at the weekly cabinet meeting Sunday on the progress of the peace talks, which recessed Oct. 28 and will resume Nov. 9, following the U.S. elections.

Environment Minister Ora Namir said she was now "more optimistic about the peace talks."

A senior Jordanian official was quoted Sunday from Amman as saying Israeli joy over what it regarded as "a great victory" was premature; in any case, Jordan would make no separate agreements without Syria and the Palestinians.

But the official confirmed that progress was reached in last week's round of talks.

Israel, for its part, agreed at the talks to discuss territorial demands made by Jordan in the Jordan Valley and the Arava region of the Negev. The land areas in controversy are marginal.

Amman claims a 128-square mile area south of the Dead Sea, which, if surrendered, would mean loss of agricultural land for several kibbutzim in the Arava.

The Jordanian claim is based on the fact that the border determined by British Mandate authorities in September 1922 was never marked in on the ground.

In the north, Amman claims Israel holds about 350 acres of its territory just south of the Sea of Galilee in the Naharayim region.

Israel, for its part, claims a small area in the Eilat region currently held by Jordan.

In the accord reached last week, Jordan reportedly agreed that the first item on the agenda of the next round of talks would be the sharing of water resources. It also agreed that tacit cooperation already existing between the two countries would be formalized in any future peace treaty.

Israel and Jordan are already discussing construction of a canal connecting the Red Sea and the Dead Sea to create a 50-megawatt plant that would generate power by exploiting the drop in altitude between the two bodies of water, according to a report in the Israeli newspaper Ha'aretz.

A canal would also enable regulation of the water level of the Dead Sea, which has been drying out in recent years. Planners envision joint tourism projects in the area, the report said.

In their joint document, Israel and Jordan also agreed to discuss demilitarization of the Middle East within the framework of a permanent and comprehensive peace agreement.

This is viewed as an achievement, in the context of standing Israeli policy to make regional arms control part of a comprehensive peace agreement.

Israeli sources in Jerusalem dismissed a report in the French newspaper *Liberation* that Israel had agreed to allow Palestinian refugees to return to the West Bank and grant them reparations, and to freeze settlement-building completely in the territories.

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New AJC president vows to listen to concerns

By JOEL JACOBSON

MONCTON —

Larry Freeman, a Halifax barrister, was elected president of Atlantic Jewish Council Oct. 25 during a Moncton meeting that at times showed passion and fire and at other times reflected the gentle nature of the organization.

In a brief acceptance speech, Freeman defused the explosive nature of some discussion by saying, "We've listened to what the members of Atlantic Jewish Council want. We'll address it."

He was referring to a letter from Moncton resident Francis Weil who questioned the activities of the council during the past couple of years. Weil, a University of Moncton science professor, told the meeting the AJC has to involve its people. Communication has to be better and representation from the communities must be in attendance at board meetings. He said representatives were selected by the nominating committee, not chosen by their respective communities.

Past president Ivan Levine of Fredericton, chairman of the nomination committee, impassionedly told Weil and the meeting that it was difficult to find volunteers to serve.

"We want you to come forward. We need your input," he said. "Let's open the floor for nominations right now."

Outgoing president Lee Cohen had told Weil there is no instant remedy to remove the feeling of apathy in the region, which leads to difficulty setting strong representation.

"We select community respresentatives who we feel can best represent that community. We want to be a representative body for all four provinces. We need you to push us to that task," he said. He added a new constitution is being drafted which should be ready in six months.

Freeman insisted programming support would be provided to the smaller communities. "If you're not getting programming, contact us, talk to us. Don't wait for an annual meeting."

In a later interview, he said his new board will be committed to youth programming throughout the region.

"Communication, too, has to be strengthened through *Shalom Magazine* and other efforts," he said.

Cohen told the meeting that an executive director, whose prime function would be fundraising, and assistant director with programming responsibilities, would be hired early in 1993. There were 16 applications for the prositions from all ecross Canada and the United States.

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CJC intends to confront racists

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Canadian Jewish Congress will not allow anti-Semites to take "pot shots" that defame Jews. Instead it will confront racists at every turn and work with law enforcement authorities to deal with them using the full force of the law, a meeting of Congress' regional executive was told recently.

Over the past few years there has been "a new willingness by the Ontario Jewish community to be assertive, not merely to be tolerated but indeed to be accepted as full partners in the Ontario cultural mosaic," said David Satok, chairman of the joint community relations committee (JCRC) of Congress' Ontario region.

"The Jewish community of Canada need no longer walk quietly with heads bowed hoping for government understanding or to be treated fairly by our neighbors," Satok said. "Indeed we demand it."

Reviewing recent efforts by the JCRC to confront the activities of those attacking Jews, Satok pointed to three areas of activity: a complaint by Congress calling for hate promotion charges against Holocaust-denier Ernst Zundel; its call for the removal of Peel region teacher Paul Fromm from the classroom; and its efforts to prevent historian David Irving from entering Canada.

"Our strategy is quite simple," Satok said. "We want Zundel to know that every time he considers opening his mouth and defaming our community, we will do everything that we have to do to protect ourselves from his hatemongering. We will no longer sit idly back and allow the likes of a Zundel or a [Jim] Keegstra or any other anti-Semite out there to take potshots at Jews. Open season on the Jewish community has now officially come to a close."

In other reports, newly appointed Israel consul-general Dror Zeigerman updated the meeting on the Mideast peace negotiations, with a particular emphasis on the Syrian front.

Zeigerman, a former Likud member of the Knesset, said Israeli negotiators attribute Syria's willingness to talk to several factors:

• "One reason is that Israel changed its mind when [Israeli Prime Minister] Yitzhak Rabin declared he was ready to negotiate with Syria on the basis of United Nations resolution 242," which showed that Israel was ready for some sort of territorial compromise, Zeigerman said.

• A second factor was Rabin's declaration prior to the Israeli election that he would first concentrate on talks with the Palestinians, since negotations with Syria would be too complicated. Syrian President Hafez Assad may have concluded that a dialogue with Israel now was his last good chance to get a deal, Zeigerman suggested.

• A third factor is the upcoming U.S. presidential election, the consul general said. Assad considers U.S. President George Bush as a good friend of Syria and one who might push Israel into giving up land in the Golan Heights.

Assad may have calculated that by being more forthcoming, he might help Bush gain re-election. While most would consider that a naive belief, it might seem realistic from the Syrian perspective, Zeigerman said.

The true test of the Syrian willingness to negotiate will come after the U.S. election, he added.

A third report was presented by Annamarie Castrilli, vice-chairman of the Ontario Yes Committee and former president of the National Congress of Italian Canadians.

Speaking prior to the constitutional referendum, Castrilli reviewed elements of the proposed Charlottetown accord and noted that a preamble to the 1948 Italian constitution came under the same sort of fire as did the controversial Canada clause. But the experience in Italy was that the fear of eroded human rights attributable to an interpretive clause proved to be unfounded, she said.

SUKKAH RECEPTION

Israel Consul General Dror Zeigerman (second from left), holding 3-year-old son Ya'ar, was joined by consular collegues Tang Fuquam (centre), consul general of the People's Republic of China, and Andrej Brzozowski (right), consul general of Poland at a reception in the sukkah at his Toronto residence. Rabbi Yossi Yarmush (left), executive director of Tzivos Hashem, and Rabbi Yona Shur, executive director of Cheder Chabad, helped lead the festive celebrations. Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario region assisted in organizing the reception. [Graphic Artists photo]

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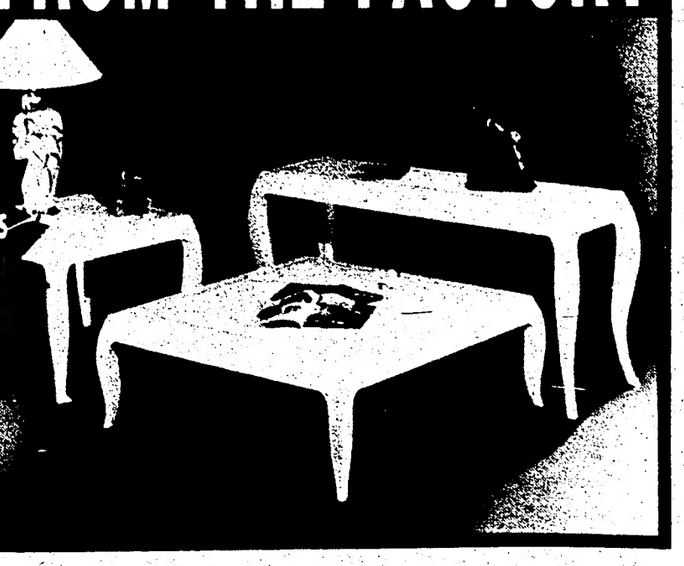

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Montreal Jews overwhelmingly support accord

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Montreal's Jews were possibly the greatest supporters of the Charlottetown accord of any group in Canada. A good indication is D'Arcy McGee, the most Jewish riding in Canada, which voted 92 percent for Yes, the highest such tally of any provincial or federal riding in the country.

Area member of the National Assembly, Equality Party leader Robert Libman, noted that the figure almost equalled the 96 percent No vote in the 1980 referendum on sovereignty association.

Despite being on the losing side and the forebodings of Jewish Yes proponents about a No victory, the mood in the community in the days after Oct. 26 was one of anti-climax, even relief.

Yes supporters were resigned to a No in Quebec well before the vote, and the broad regional rejection in the rest of Canada reduced the sense that Quebec was isolated and, in an odd twist, created a feeling of national unity.

Jewish support for the accord appeared to be strong across all sectors. Communaute Sepharade du Quebec president Joe Gabay felt there was no significant difference in the voting patterns of Sephardim and Ashkenazim.

Chassidim may have helped clinch a 2,000-vote edge Yes victory in Outremont, home of many of the nationalist elite. Members of these sects were visible at a Yes rally addressed by Prime Minister Brian Mulroney at the Hellenic Centre in the latter days of the campaign.

In a rare public political stand, Charles Bronfman wrote in a *Gazette* article that the accord achieves "a united Canada at an acceptable price," comparable to the 1864 accord that led to Confederation.

Many rabbis preached the wisdom of a Yes vote.

Federation CJA president Harvey Wolfe was reassuring the morning after the vote. "For us in Montreal's Jewish community, the dream continues of an exciting, dynamic and rich future. It is time to redirect our energy and creativity to our multifaceted community and its network of institutions and services in order to insure its continuity and viability," he said in a prepared statement.

"The best thing about the referendum is that it's over."

Local officials of Canadian Jewish Congress, which had actively campaigned for the Yes, were also making the best of the situation.

"This was not a vote for sovereignty," Quebec executive director Michael Crelinsten said. "It was on the accord and only on the accord."

He said he detected no anxiety among Jews.

The grassroots Jewish support for the accord is seen by Crelinsten and colleague Jack Jedwab as a "vindication" of CJC's strong support for the accord.

(This was somewhat tempered in Quebec by the fact CJC was registered with Elections Canada, while the province was running a separate referendum with its own laws. Quebecers, for example, did not see the television ads done by CJC national unity chairman Max Bernard, even though he's from Montreal.)

"It's clear CJC accurately represented the massive majority opinion of the community." CJC estimates 85-90 percent of Montreal Jews voted Yes.

The CJC stance was in contrast to its neutrality in the 1980 referendum, when Quebec Jews were overwhelmingly and emotionally opposed to sovereignty.

Crelinsten does not think CJC's high profile puts it into an uncomfortable position in Quebec now. The No did win, and Robert Bourassa is still premier.

"We resent those elements that held that members of cultural communities for the No were better integrated," Crelinsten said.

The No Committee, led by Parti Quebecois leader Jacques Parizeau, courted the support of ethnic voters and proudly pointed to a cultural communities for the No group, headed by a woman of Palestinian origin.

Early in the campaign, PQ vice-president Bernard Landry said on French-language radio that the coalesced Jewish, Greek and Italian community organizations were "massively as usual" supporting "the least Quebecois solution."

Libman, who had told Jewish audiences that a No win in Quebec would give momentum to the sovereignty movement and be a factor in young people's decision to leave Quebec, was more muted after the result.

He still holds that a Yes would have led young Jews to "think twice" before going, whereas now they lack that positive factor as they weigh their future. "We've missed an opportunity for some security and stability."

He hopes the Quebec government will make a goodwill gesture towards anglophones in the next year as the debate reopens on Bill 178, as well as English-language education.

He rejects the view that Jews and other minorities have isolated themselves by their vote. "We voted the same way as the government of Quebec for an accord that represented substantial gains for Quebec."

One of the few Jews in the federalist No camp was Irwin Rapoport, 28. He thinks Jews voted Yes out of fear, "falling for the Yes side's scare tactic that a No meant the break-up of the country."

The overriding objection Rapoport had for the accord was the distinct society clause, which he feels would favor French-Canadians over other Quebecers.

Rapoport accuses CJC of resorting to intimidation by implying that Jews would leave Quebec because of a No vote. "Young people are leaving Quebec all the time...The No victory has little effect."

CJC, he feels, should have been neutral, limiting its role to fostering public debate.

Jewish voters said to back Congress on vote for Yes

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

The nation-wide No vote that scuttled plans to amend the Canadian constitution has prompted suggestions that the country's political elite was out of touch with the views of the public.

But that analysis holds no water inside the Jewish community, say two highly-placed members of Canadian Jewish Congress. Congress's call for a Yes vote accurately represented the wishes of its constituency in almost all areas of the country, said Irving Abella, the organization's national president, and Michael Crelinsten, executive director of Congress's Quebec region.

Pointing to polling results released in the aftermath of the resounding No vote, Abella noted that those constituencies with substantial Jewish populations bucked the national trend and voted primarily for the Yes side.

The vote in some Montreal ridings was overwhelmingly for accepting the Charlottetown proposals even though the province as a whole rejected the accord, Crelinsten said. The Yes vote ranged from 91.3 percent to 79.1 percent in ridings with substantial Jewish populations.

In the Metropolitan Toronto area, areas with large Jewish concentrations voted from 62.4 percent in favor to 54.2 percent for the Yes side.

Across the rest of the country, areas of Jewish concentration in British Columbia and Winnipeg appeared to follow the national No vote, while Calgary's only riding to vote Yes (at 50.2 percent) was home to the city's modest Jewish community.

"I think were were remarkably in tune with our constituency," Crelinsten said, owing in part to a consultation process that saw representatives of Congress' national unity committee tour the country along with their counterparts from the Greek and Italian communities.

Crelinsten said the apparently strong Jewish vote for Yes shows "a commitment to Canada and to Quebec remaining within Canada. [It also shows] a political maturity and a recognition that while the accord was a flawed document, we had the political wisdom and sophistication in Canada to work it through."

Abella, a professor of history at Toronto's York University, said the Jewish community traditionally favors a strong federalist position. Congress lined up on the Yes side because "there was a fear that if it was rejected, Charlottetown would likely be the minimum demand and the demands [of Quebec and native leaders] would grow exponentially from there."

Responding to critiques that Congress jumped too quickly on the Yes bandwagon before the full terms of the Charlottetown deal were revealed, Abella said "we knew the bare bones of it." He said that while qualified constitutional experts criticized the accord for possibly eroding the Charter of Rights, "we consulted our constitutional committee, our constitutional lawyers and we found lawyers every bit as qualified as [those who criticized the accord] who found that nothing in the Charlottetown accord over-rode the Charter, but rather strengthened it."

"Congress did not jump too quickly," echoed Crelinsten. We understood the broad strokes of the accord [as it touched on] Quebec, the aboriginal people and the problems of Western Canada"

Despite the death of the accord, those issues still have to be addressed, Crelinsten said.

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ScotiaMcLeod's settlement called damage control effort

By PAUL LUNGEN

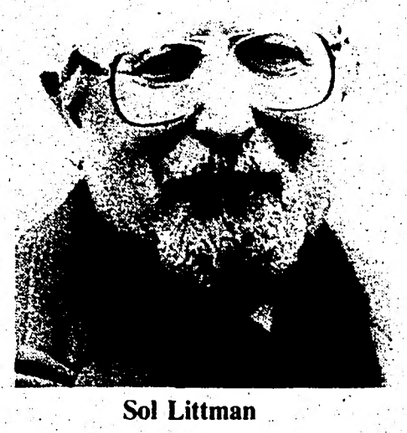
TORONTO —

Despite the settlement of an employment dispute between ScotiaMcLeod Inc. and a former Jewish executive, nothing in the settlement contradicts allegations that anti-Semitic statements were made in the firm's New York office, spokesmen for Jewish organizations stated last week.

The victimization of former corporate vice-president Simon Israel also reveals an industry in which ethnic taunts are common and in which Jewish employees are rare in the higher echelons, some observers stated.

And they noted that the demotion and reprimand of two ScotiaMcLeod employees who said of a former Jewish employee that there was "one that Hitler missed" came only after a report of the incident in *The Globe and Mail* and did not represent a sincere act of contrition.

"The so-called settlement with Simon Israel heightens my suspicion that it was primarily damage control," said Sol Littman, Canadian representative of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre.



Sol Littman

Despite the settlement, ScotiaMcLeod "demeaned and isolated Israel and the settlement in the end was far from satisfactory to [him]. He simply ran out of resources to continue fighting and he accepted whatever conditions they imposed on him," Littman said.

Contacted at his home in the United States, Israel declined to comment on any aspect of his dispute with ScotiaMcLeod.

But a joint statement by ScotiaMcLeod and Israel states that Israel agreed to withdraw an arbitration claim against ScotiaMcLeod (USA) Inc. It goes on to say that "the parties have amicably resolved their differences over Mr. Israel's compensation and Mr. Israel has no further claims against ScotiaMcLeod. . . Mr. Israel agrees that his treatment at ScotiaMcLeod was not motivated by anti-Semitism and looks forward to putting this matter behind him."

Helen Smolack, president of the Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Association (CHRA), said Israel has "a young family (with three children) to support. That's why he settled."

Despite the joint statement, Smolack asserted that Israel "hasn't recanted the allegations he made.

"The facts are there, it certainly was anti-Semitism," she said, adding she believed "[ScotiaMcLeod] are unrepentant."

Smolack said CHRA is continuing to urge people to reconsider any dealing they have with ScotiaMcLeod and its parent company, the Bank of Nova Scotia, and that a modest account of the Keren Hatarbut, operated under the auspices of the Toronto Zionist Council, will be withdrawn from the financial institution.

Karen Mock, national director of the League for Human Rights of B'nai Brith Canada, said the issue should have been resolved two years ago when it first arose. But "I think the right decision [to settle] was made at this time. I've seen too many cases like this where a reasonable accommodation is made in the human rights sense by the employer, but the employee continues on a crusade, ultimately to the detriment of the person, his career and family."

Mock said the resolution of the Israel case was consistent with current practice where the Canadian Human Rights Commission (CHRC) becomes involved. The ScotiaMcLeod employees who made and repeated the remark were reprimanded and demoted and a human rights training program will be introduced into the firm's New York office.

She said the League had been contacted by ScotiaMcLeod about introducing a similar anti-racism management training program in its Toronto office as well.

"There is a justice in the way it turned out," she said. "It's about as good a resolution as Mr. Israel could have gotten."

Manuel Prutschi, executive director of the Ontario region of Canadian Jewish Congress, said a report commissioned by ScotiaMcLeod confirmed the existence of anti-Semitic incidents in the firm's New York office.

"We would like to think that ScotiaMcLeod has learned a lesson that discriminatory attitudes and behavior in the workplace simply cannot be tolerated and it is our hope that others in the industry have also gotten the message loud and clear," Prutschi said.

John Pollock, president of the Beth Tzedec synagogue, North America's largest Conservative congregation, said the synagogue decided to sever its financial ties with ScotiaMcLeod but suspended that action so it could continue to monitor developments at the financial institution.

Karen Mock

He said "ScotiaMcLeod has gone a long way to relieving our concerns, but we are still monitoring the situation. . . I believe the industry will take this incident into consideration and address in a positive way any discriminatory practices that may be in the workplace."

Littman said the incident sheds some light on an industry in which Jews are kept out of the highest levels. "There is no doubt that there are a number of Jews in the lower echelons, but if you examine the upper strata, you'll find it almost entirely Judenrein (free of Jews)." And it appears that derogatory racist and ethnic remarks are commonly used in the banking industry, he added.

"The Simon Israel case is similar to other cases in other institutions," Mock said.

"The banking industry has a reputation for this sort of thing — making people from minority groups feel marginalized and not part of the old boys network. They face a glass ceiling of career advancement," she said.

"There has been a perception in the Jewish community, based on painful experience, that the financial establishment was a closed club which either kept Jews out or down in the industry," Prutschi stated.

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BELKIN — DINKIN

A number of Jewish surnames are matronymic — named after a mother like Rachlin (Rachel) and Estrin (Esther).

Belkin is a diminutive form of Beyle, which means either Bella — "beautiful" from the Latin or Biela — "white from the Russian.

Dinkin comes from the feminine given name Dinah. I was told of an aunt who was called Sardine even though she looked more like a whale. Her real name was Sarah Dina. Sounds fishy.

ZIPPER — DVORKIN

In tracing the origins of Jewish surname, we must not overlook the birds and the bees. Derived from the Hebrew, we find

Zipper (sipper) from Tzippor (bird) and Dvorkin (Dvores) from Devorah (bee).

Reitman receives award for service

OTTAWA —

Dorothy Reitman of Montreal, who has worked voluntarily to improve the lives of women over four decades, has been presented with the Governor General's Award in Commemoration of the Persons Case. The presentation was made by Governor General Ray Hnatyshyn recently at Government House.

The awards, presented to five women this year, commemorate "the lengthy legal and political battle for women's constitutional right to be recognized as persons" led by Nellie McClung, among others. Eventually, on Oct. 18, 1929, the British Privy Council decided that Canadian women were persons and thus eligible for appointment to the Senate.

Dorothy Reitman

Established in 1979, the awards are presented annually to individuals who have made an outstanding contribution toward promoting the equality of women in Canada.

Reitman's efforts on behalf of women include initiating pilot pre-school enrichment and family life education programs for impoverished mothers and their young children; establishing the Partage program for treating drug addicts; and founding Auberge Shalom Pour Femmes, a shelter for battered women.

As president of the Montreal section of the National Council of Jewish Women, she initiated a course in civics designed to teach women how to use the political system to bring about social change.

She also established the Conjoint Committee for Citizen Participation and Social Action, a coalition of the leaders of women's groups in Montreal.

As the first female president of Canadian Jewish Congress, Reitman established a status of women committee to encourage women's political and community involvement.

Other 1992 winners of the awards are Sandra Lovelace Sappier of Perth, N.B., Doreen Orman of Calgary, Shirley Robinson of Gloucester, Ont., and Shelagh Wilkinson of Toronto.

"Through their lifelong dedication to women's equality, the recipients of the Governor General's Awards in Commemoration of the Persons Case have contributed substantially to building our nation," said Mary Collins, minister responsible for the status of women.

Nominations were submitted by individuals, women's groups and other organizations across Canada. Recipients were selected by an independent, seven-member committee, drawn from all regions of the country.

Racism shocks fraternity boss

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

A year ago, when Jeff Olin first read a *Time* magazine story covering an anti-Semitic speech by former City University of New York (CUNY) professor Leonard Jeffries, his immediate reaction was that Jeffries made "a number of extremely outrageous and clearly racist remarks."

But later, when Jeffries appeared on the *Phil Donahue Show* and attempted to mitigate his anti-Jewish views by pointing to his membership in the largely Jewish Pi Lambda Phi fraternity, Olin was aghast.

"I said, what? This guy's my fraternity brother? What's going on?"

Olin is president of Canada Kappa Alumni Association, the fraternity's alumni branch in Canada. It boasts about 400 members in chapters at the University of Toronto, the University of Western Ontario, The University of Windsor and McGill University. The fraternity was established in 1895 at Yale University and has traditionally had a large proportion of Jewish members, Olin said.

Olin's shock at Jeffries' outrageous statement quickly turned to action as he obtained a videotape and transcript of Jeffries' appearance on the Donahue show.

In it Jeffries, at that time head of the black studies department at CUNY, claimed that "It was around the synagogue [in Amsterdam] that the slavery system was established. . . [that there was] a conspiracy planned and plotted and programmed out of Hollywood. . . [where] Russian Jewry had a particular control over the movies and their financial partners, the Mafia, put together a system of destruction of the black people."

When confronted by Donahue over his focus on Jews, Jeffries stated that "I was in college in the 1950s with my Jewish fraternity brothers and I was very proud of that and most of them are very proud of me."

Soon after reviewing the videotape, Olin called the fraternity's international office to voice his concern about the stain Jeffries' membership might place on the organization. He followed that up with a letter and petition alleging that Jeffries violated the fraternity's anti-racist code and should be expelled.

Since that time, he has spearheaded an effort, originating in the Toronto branch of the North America-wide fraternity, to remove Jeffries.

But he feels he has come up against a brick wall in the organization's head office.

"I'm concerned," Olin said. "What's clearly happening is that my fraternity doesn't want to take action. It doesn't want to get involved. . . It's only paying lip service to the issue."

What's all the more galling for Olin is that while the fraternity is spinning its wheels and getting nowhere, CUNY fired Jeffries in March 1992 even though he was a tenured professor and head of a department.

Olin said that at a recent meeting of the fraternity's international council, he was told that a three-man committee was continuing its year-long investigation into the issue.

In a telephone interview from New York, Bennet Silverman, president of Pi Lambda Phi's international council, refused to comment on the issue. "It's fraternity business. I'm not discussing it in the press," he said.

Olin speculated that the fraternity might be concerned about heightening tensions between blacks and Jews and of running into a freedom of speech argument.

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CJN Exclusive

Dror Zeigerman

Dror Zeigerman, consul general of Israel in Toronto, began his term here in July. A fifth-generation Israeli, Zeigerman was born on May 14, 1948, Israel's Day of Independence.

Zeigerman, a former Likud member of Knesset, studied political science and history at the Hebrew University. One of the youngest MKs when he was appointed in 1981, he served on several Knesset committees including the influential Security and Foreign Affairs committee.

He played a key role in founding a number of Zionist student organizations and later in bringing attention to the plight of Ethiopian Jews.

CJN reporter Frances Kraft spoke to Zeigerman last week in a wide-ranging interview.

CJN: *You are not a stranger to the Canadian Jewish community. What are your previous connections to it?*

Zeigerman: I was the head of the student division of the World Zionist Organization from 1977 to 1981.

I met Simcha Jacobovici in 1977, and I liked him right away. I decided immediately that this is the man I must convince to be the head of the student organization in North America, and he can revolutionize the organization in America.

I used to come to Toronto to speak with people, to speak with students. The main activity was here in Toronto. So I know the community.

Now some of the young students of that time have become leaders of the community. Simcha's successor Moshe Ronen is chairman [national executive] of Canadian Jewish Congress, and there are a lot of people from that time who now hold important positions here.

CJN: *Are students part of your mandate as consul general?*

Zeigerman: Students and young people are my main priority. This is very important.

I think that we have to do everything we can. It's not just my job, it's the job of the Jewish community to try to help the students, to give them more budget, to give them some direction how to work in the campuses, and to increase activity in the campus.

CJN: *What are your other priorities as consul-general?*

Zeigerman: Aside from the students and the Jewish organizations, there is another part of the job which involves bringing Israel to the media and to the Canadian people.

If you ask me, the consul-general has to give 50 percent of his time to the non-Jewish community — the media, ethnic groups, the church.

Our job is not just to work with friends. It's to reach a lot of people, to explain what is Israel, why Israel is important, why Israel has the right to exist, and what happened with the question of human rights. Many people ask this.

CJN: *How do you answer questions on human rights?*

Zeigerman: I tell everybody, there is a problem of human rights in Israel, no doubt about it. Israel is in a war situation, and in every country which is at war, there is a problem of human rights.

But before they criticize Israel about human rights, they have to see what happened around Israel, in the Arab countries. Israel is the only democratic state in the Middle East.

And now I use the recent referendum to say that the Canadians can understand that to be a democratic state is very difficult.

In Syria, Egypt, Iraq, it's a dictatorship, tyranny. For them one leader decides, they don't need any referendum, they don't need elections. In Israel there are elections, every process takes time. It's very difficult, but when there is a decision, it's a decision which gets the support of the majority of the country.

When Israel signs a peace agreement, there is no worry what will happen when a new leader comes. When the Arab states sign, we have to worry what will be with the future leaders, whether they will honor this signature.

When I was a member of Knesset, it was immediately after Sabra and Shatila, and all the Arab countries blamed Israel.

We asked for a commission of inquiry in Israel in the Knesset. I represented Likud, and I voted for the creation of a commission of inquiry. [Then prime minister Menachem] Begin refused at first, but we convinced him to create this commission.

No other nation would create the same commission of inquiry in a war situation. For us the question of morals is very important.

When you compare us to the Arab countries, I don't think that you have to criticize Israel.

I asked the editor of *The Toronto Star*, "Can you enter Iraq? Can you write freely about the situation in Syria and continue to live there?"

CJN: *What are your feelings about the current peace process?*

Zeigerman: I am for peace and for compromise, and I am one of the first ones of the Likud people to say I am for compromise. Many people in the Likud are for compromise. Begin himself compromised when he gave Sinai to Egypt.

I am not for giving everything away, and I believe that Israel must continue to be a Jewish state.

CJN: *What do you see as a workable solution to the whole issue of the Golan Heights and the peace process?*

Zeigerman: I think the peace process is very important. I want to tell you a short story that relates to these issues.

I spent a week in Egypt in 1982 as a member of Knesset. At the end, Mustapha Khalil, who later became prime minister of Egypt, asked us our impression of the country.

My answer symbolized all that I think about the peace process. I told him, I am a fifth-generation Israeli, I was born May 14, 1948, my name is Dror which means freedom in Hebrew, I was in three wars. In the Yom Kippur War I crossed the Suez Canal with tanks, in the same unit as Arik (Ariel) Sharon. There were so many friends dying near us, we saw the Egyptian army fight brazenly against us, we saw them lying on the fields, and I will not forget. "Today," I told Mr. Khalil in 1982, "we crossed the Suez Canal by Egged, the Israeli bus transportation. For me this is the difference between peace and war."

I tell this story to everyone. We, the young generation, understand what war is. That's why I think we have to do everything for peace. Not to sell everything, not for a piece of paper.

We have to do it for the next generation, for our children. We cannot continue the war in the Middle East, the war between Jew and Arab.

And I don't want my children to go to the army again and again in war. My little one is 3, maybe he will not go to the army. He should go to the army, but in peacetime, not to fight. That's why I believe that we have to continue the negotiation.

But if you ask me to give all the territories for a piece of paper, that is suicide. Never.

I am for territorial compromise, even being from the Likud, but I am against a Palestinian state between Israel and Jordan. I don't think that we can live with this third state. I think that Jordan is a Palestinian state, the only question is where will the border be.

CJN: *How much of a compromise?*

Zeigerman: That is a mistake to ask and a mistake to answer. I agree with Begin, if you say now how much to compromise, then they will start from what you say. If you say that you are in favor of giving back all the Golan Heights or the West Bank or Judea and Samaria, then they will start negotiating about Tel Aviv.

I am not against territorial compromise, but Israel must remain on the Golan Heights.

I am for territorial compromise, but Israel must remain on the Golan Heights, because there's a question of security. It's not a question that the Golan Heights is part of Eretz Yisrael, but I don't want to let the Syrian or any other army have a chance to go down from the Golan Heights and cut Israel's throat. The distance from the Golan Heights to the Mediterranean Sea is a couple of kilometres, and we have to remember that.

There are many scenarios that you can find if both sides want peace. The breakthrough will come when President Assad will do what Sadat did, come to Israel or be ready to meet our prime minister face to face.

Secondly, and this is the main thing, will Assad be ready for the Israeli flag and the Israeli embassy to be in Damascus?

CJN: *You have a special interest in the Ethiopian olim. How did that come about?*

Zeigerman: In 1982 I was in Ethiopia. It was unbelievable. It was before Operation Moses, and when we entered the villages, it was one of the most emotional moments of my life — entering their synagogue, a hut, and seeing how they could read Hebrew in the ancient Bible, entering the class to see young Jews who can think in Hebrew. We just started to cry.

CJN: *How are the Ethiopians accepted now in Israel?*

Zeigerman: Most of them are part of our society. They are very smart people. They are hard-working, and I think most of them have succeeded in being absorbed. You can find them in the university, in the army, in industry, everywhere, and I am proud of it.

We in Israel are starting to try and convince them to preserve their Ethiopian traditions, dances, songs, and art. Sometimes they argue with us about that. They want to be Israeli. I told some of them that the next generation will be sorry if you cut your roots. That is evidence of real absorption.

CJN: *A large number of Russian Jews are applying to emigrate to Germany. Why do you think that is?*

Zeigerman: That is the tragedy of the Jewish people. What can I say? I am not optimistic about this, and we must do everything to change it.

Absorption is not just a question of money, houses, job creation. The main question of absorption is to get the olim to feel that they are part of our society. The government and Israeli society have failed in that regard.

There is potential there. They're very good people. Educated people. Hard workers.

There are always minorities that want to go to Canada and Germany and everywhere. There are always people in the Jewish world who make mistakes. Many Israelis leave Israel. It's a mistake, and we have to deal with it. It's a free society. They can go where they want.

But there are enough people who want to come and who are coming to Israel. The test of our society will be if we know how to accept them.

CJN: *What is being done about the situation on the roads in Israel to avoid more tragedies like the recent death of (Hebrew University president) Yoram Ben-Porath and his family?*

Zeigerman: We are trying to do a lot of things. There is a special council against accidents in Israel. Punishments are severe, and sometimes people are even sent to prison.

But it's not just a question of law. It's a question of behavior, and also a question of investing more in repairing the roads. The condition of our roads is very poor.

There's also the nature of the Israeli driver, being under a lot of stress.

More people were killed in Israel this year by accidents than by terror. We have to punish the drivers.

If you are under 18, you cannot get a driver's license in Israel. If you are between 18 and 19, you cannot drive after midnight on the weekends. This law was passed two years ago.

But it's not enough. We have to do everything we can. It's a big problem.

CJN: *Do you have a message for Canadian Jews?*

Zeigerman: The Jewish community here is very warm. It's a good community that supports the State of Israel.

But I must say to you, as an Israeli, we have to do everything we can to convince people to come to live in Israel. I continue to believe, and I will continue to say at every event, even sometimes if people don't like it, that Israel will not continue to exist without Jewish people.

We will overcome all our problems — settlements, borders, negotiations — but without Jews we will not continue to exist.

Israel has become a second religion for the Jewish people. Go to synagogue every Friday. What does the rabbi talk about? Israel. You raise money here for Israel. You open the *Canadian Jewish News*, what is on the front page? Israel.

I know it's difficult and I cannot ask you to leave everything and come to Israel. I am not like this. I am not chutzpadik.

Now that we are here, my wife says, "Now I understand all the new immigrants who have come to Israel." And we are here like kings. I have a house, a salary, respect, but we understand what it is to immigrate to a new country. For our children, it's very difficult.

CJN: *Toronto has a large Israeli population. What about them?*

Zeigerman: The Israeli population here is important to us.

I'm sorry that they are here. I prefer them to be in Israel, as I prefer you to be in Israel, but I am liberal. Everyone can do what he wants.

The question is how to deal with this. The Jewish community must do everything to convince you to come to Israel, if not to come, to send your children, at least to study.

Canada

Politicians to recognize Hadassah-WIZO's 75th year

MONTREAL —

Despite their preoccupation with the results of the constitution referendum, the economy and other vital matters of Canadian concern, members of Parliament will call a halt to partisan debate to join in paying tribute in the House of Commons to the Hadassah-WIZO Organization of Canada on Nov. 23 to mark the 75th anniversary of the country's largest organization of Jewish women.

While National President Esther Matlow and members of her administration nod their approval in the visitors' gallery, Toronto MP Bill Attewell will rise in the House to recognize officially the many achievements of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO. Similar recognition is expected in the Senate, and later in the day Speaker of the House John Fraser will host a reception for the national executive, MPs and other dignitaries. Another reception will follow at the home of the Israel Ambassador to Canada, Itzhak Shelef.

Actually, the anniversary celebrations, which will run for a year, will be launched the day before at a dinner at the Chateau Laurier in Ottawa — an event expected to attract the attendance of dignitaries in the Jewish and general arena. It will begin a year, says Esther Matlow, of 'extraordinary activities' among the 17,000 members, culiminating with a national convention in Israel in November of 1993. Sophie Kettner of Calgary is national chairman of the anniversary year.

The Zionist movement was in its comparative infancy and the hope for a national homeland for the Jews was still very much in the dream stage when the founders of Canadian Hadassah met for the first time in 1917 — the year of the Balfour Declaration — at the home of Mrs. M. L. Willinsky, in Toronto, to form the organization, the aim of which is to improve the quality of life for women and children in Israel as well as engage in advocacy and promote educational programs on Zionism in Canada.

Lillian Freiman, the first national president, said 75 years ago that "Hadassah is not the fad of a moment . . . but the slow process of building up a nation on a solid foundation of health and progress that shall endure for all the ages."

Even a visionary like Freiman would have been astonished at the amazing growth of the organization, which now has 267 chapters in 43 centres from Victoria to St. John's. Toronto has 67 chapters; Montreal, 50; Winnipeg, 23; Vancouver, 23; Ottawa, 15; Calgary, 11; Edmonton, 8. Other centres have from one to seven chapters.

Members of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO are part of a worldwide network known as the Women's International Zionist Organization (WIZO), which has federations in 50 countriess on five continents. Total WIZO membership is about 250,000. Because of its size and influence throughout the world, WIZO is recognized by the United Nations as a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) and Cecily Peters, when she was Canadian Hadassah-WIZO president, headed the Canadian delegation to the United Nations End of Decade Conference in Nairobi in 1985.

Esther Matlow

Canadian Hadassah-WIZO has a Canadian Affairs department "to ensure our representation locally and nationally in human rights organizations, Status of Women and the National Council of Women." This is deemed necessary to help sensitize Canadian public opinion on behalf of Israel.

As far back as 1977, the organization began to work for "One Canada" and launched its campaign with a special edition of its magazine, *Orah*, which contained articles on the need for unity by the then Prime Minister, Pierre Trudeau, by Opposition Leader Joe Clark, NDP Leader Broadbent and by provincial premiers.

Clara Balinsky, who was president at the time, said in the lead editorial that the issue had been planned as a "thought-sharing process on the mood and future of our country." One added that "in light of recent events, particularly in the election of the Parti Quebecois government of Rene Levesque, we are gratified and proud to have made that decision."

The issue was dedicated "to all Canadians in the sincere hope it will shed light on a vital subject and will help cement the bonds of understanding, harmony and goodwill among all the peoples of our great country, Canada."

For thousands of women, Canadian Hadassah-WIZO has been a life long commitment which has been passed on to children, grandchildren and even great-grandchildren. To encourage the younger element to participate members aged 45 and under are organized in the Aviv divisions so as to develop leadership for the future. The men can be in on the act too, by joining as Male Life Associates, and hundreds have enlisted in the ranks.

Through raffles, testimonial dinners, huge bazaars and other novel means, Hadassah-WIZO members raised a tremendous amount of money annually to keep its various institutions operating in Israel as well as contribute to the WIZO institutes.

Canadian Hadassah-WIZO finances schools, youth clubs, community centres, hospitals and aids in the absorption of immigrants. Its work is concentrated mainly on children and youth. Among its best known projects are Youth Aliyah, and Asaf Harofe and Hadassah Hospitals. Another pride and joy of the organization is the Research Institute operated by Prof. Reuven Feuerstein, a child psychologist, whose methods are used all over the world, including Canada.

WIZO is described as one of the best organized links between Israel and the Diaspora, and WIZO officials readily acknowledge that Canada plays a vital role in its operation.

National president Matlow says that Canadian Hadassah-WIZO is not a static organization. The structure is re-evaluated periodically to meet changed conditions and needs. Portfolios are revised and new ones added as circumstances dictate.

"The organization," she said, "has the privilege of serving Israel and has helped raise Jewish and Zionist consciousness among our members and the general community."

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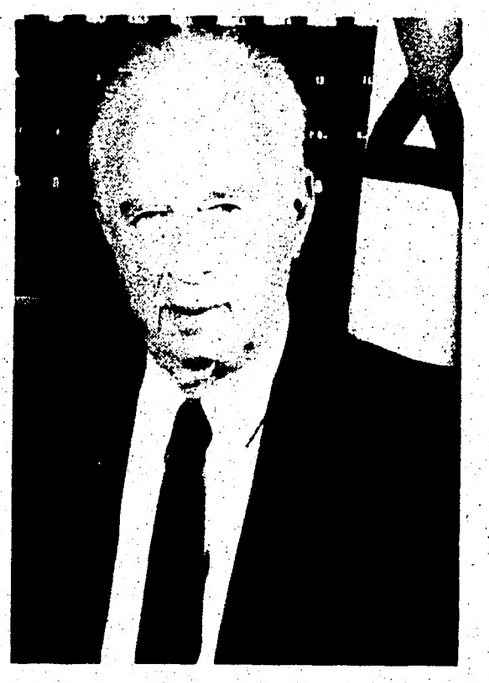

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Israel to participate in next round of talks

By RON CSILLAG

OTTAWA —

In keeping with a major policy shift announced last month, Israel will participate in the multilateral round of peace talks dealing with Middle East refugees, scheduled to take place here Nov. 11 and 12.

Israel boycotted the talks on refugees when they opened last May, as well as talks in Brussels on economic development, because Palestinians from outside the West Bank and Gaza Strip — so-called non-indigenous or diaspora Palestinians — were invited.

In an about-face last month, Israel said it would negotiate with Palestinians from outside the territories on three conditions: that they not be members of the Palestine National Council, not be residents of Jerusalem and not raise the issue of right of return.

And Israel may have taken the wind out of Palestinian sails in its tentative peace pact with Jordan (see story, page 1). The deal would commit Israel and Jordan to negotiate on repatriation of or compensation for Palestinians displaced to Jordan following the 1948 and 1967 wars.

The three days of talks here last spring centred almost exclusively on right of return: the so-called right of Palestinians who fled, quit or were expelled from Israel from 1947 to 1949, and following the 1967 Six-Day War, as well as their descendants, to return to their former homes. The Jewish state says that would sound its death knell and it has rejected the issue out of hand.

But if the matter is dwelt upon at any length next week, it could prompt Israel to quit the Ottawa talks.

So once again, Canada finds itself in a touchy situation as the holder of the gavel, on an equally touchy issue. It has to steer the talks toward more modest and practical issues, such as family reunification and living conditions of refugees, which it did last May.

Right of return was rejected last spring by Canada, the United States and many of the other 34 delegations.

The conference has defined Mideast refugees as "persons displaced by the Arab-Israeli conflict."

According to various United Nations defintions, there are an estimated 900,000 Palestinian refugees on the West Bank, 300,000 each in Lebanon and Syria and 1.2 million in Jordan.

It is expected that Israel will raise the issue of the roughly 800,000 Jews who fled Arab lands in 1948 and are defined as refugees. The matter was barely mentioned in the May talks.

It is not known yet whether Syria and Lebanon, which boycotted all five multilateral rounds, will show up for the Ottawa talks.

Irving defies the law

David Irving

[Cont'd. from page 1]

Marvin Kurz of BBC's League for Human Rights said strict terms should have been attached to Irving's departure notice and he blasted federal officials for agreeing to a plea bargain from Christie.

BBC also called for the establishment of an "interdepartmental" task force to monitor the movements of white supremacists and neo-Nazis. The group would like to see more co-ordination between the departments of immigration, Canada Customs and provincial attorneys-general.

Irving is best known for his belief that the number of Jews killed in the Holocaust has been greatly exaggerated and that gas chambers at Auschwitz were erected after the war as tourist attractions.

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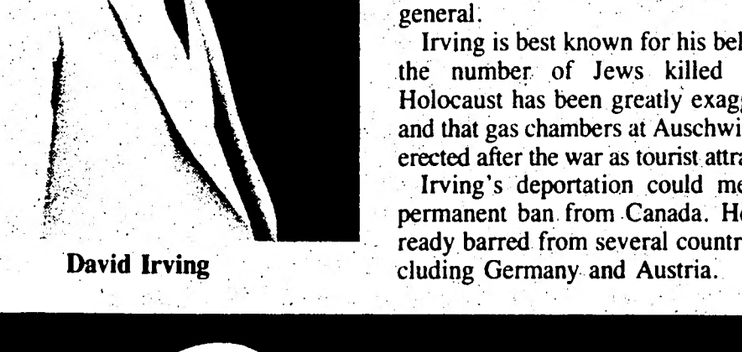
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Crown Heights Jews angry, frustrated over teen's acquittal

NEW YORK (JTA) —

Anger and frustration are running high among Jews in Brooklyn's Crown Heights section following the acquittal of a black teenager in the August 1991 murder of Chassidic scholar Yankel Rosenbaum.

But aside from a few raucous rallies and scattered incidents of minor violence, the heavily Chassidic neighborhood has been mainly quiet since the Oct. 29 verdict, in sharp contrast to the riots that tore through the area when Rosenbaum was stabbed to death 14 months ago.

Leaders of the Lubavitch movement have discouraged those from inside and outside their community from venting their rage at the verdict through violence. They have instead pledged a peaceful response to what is universally regarded here as an act of terrible injustice.

Just hours after the verdict, Norman Rosenbaum, the slain scholar's brother, mounted a makeshift platform set up in the middle of a Crown Heights intersection to urge a peaceful response to the jury's decision.

"I am incensed at what's happened," he yelled out hoarsely to a crowd of thousands of Chassidim as he stood under a banner reading "Moshiach is on the way — let's be ready."

But he added, "This isn't a black or a white issue. This affects every decent New Yorker."

"We must fight with chochma, binah and da'as to ensure that no more Jewish blood is spilled and that the blood of Yankel is avenged," he said, using the Hebrew words for wisdom, insight and understanding that form the acronym Chabad used by the Lubavitch movement.

It had been a long day for Rosenbaum, 35, who four hours earlier had heard a jury clear Lemrick Nelson, Jr. of all charges in the murder of his only sibling, Yankel.

Yankel Rosenbaum, a 29-year-old native of Melbourne, Australia, who had been studying in Crown Heights, was stabbed to death by a rampaging mob of 20 young blacks on Aug. 19, 1991, the first of three nights of violence, arson and looting in Crown Heights.

Rosenbaum was murdered in retaliation for the accidental killing of Gavin Cato, a 6-year-old Caribbean-American boy, by the driver of a car in a motorcade escorting the Lubavitcher rebbe home from a cemetery visit outside Crown Heights.

Nelson, 17, had been found near the scene of Rosenbaum's stabbing with a bloody knife in his pocket and while in custody admitted to the act, according to police testimony.

And according to police, as well as other eyewitnesses, as Yankel Rosenbaum lay bleeding he identified Nelson as his attacker, saying, "You in the red shirt! Why did you do this to me?"

Still, the State Supreme Court jury acquitted Nelson of each of the four counts with which he had been charged: second degree, or intentional murder, murder with depraved indifference, and first- and second-degree manslaughter.

Edgar Bronfman

None of the jurors were thought to be Jewish; six were black, four Hispanic and two white.

Nelson is so far the only member of the mob that attacked Rosenbaum to be indicted, a reality that has the community here feeling it has been betrayed by the mayor, the district attorney and the criminal justice system.

Said one woman the night of the verdict, "The D.A. can't come up with the other 20 people because Jews don't riot. If Nelson had been found guilty, the city would be in flames."

Edgar M. Bronfman, president of the World Zionist Congress, has called on U.S. Attorney General William Barr to initiate a federal investigation into the murder of Rosenbaum, under statutes of federal law referring to violation of civil rights.

In a letter to the Attorney General, Bronfman said: "The circumstances of this heinous crime make it absolutely clear that he was the victim of race hatred, motivated solely by his religious affiliation and appearance. Yankel Rosenbaum was murdered during a night of violence in Crown Heights, Brooklyn, during which he was surrounded by an angry mob chanting 'Kill the Jews'."

Bronfman said that yesterday's jury verdict had created "a swelling sense of shock and outrage within the Jewish community that young Rosenbaum's killers have not been brought to justice.

"I believe it is incumbent upon the Justice Department, given the circumstances of this case — the very obvious violation of Mr. Rosenbaum's civil rights — that a federal investigation begin immediately with a view toward prosecution under the appropriate statutes of the Federal law relating to the protection and violation of individuals' civil rights.

"Justice demands nothing less than this, and I trust and hope you will speedily act in this matter," the letter concludes.

The rally last Thursday night was largely peaceful, as was another on Sunday that reportedly drew a crowd of several thousand. On Thursday night, the hundreds of police who had been dispatched to Crown Heights for the most part stood in their riot gear and looked on from a distance as the Jewish community rallied.

At one point, a large group of black teen-agers began throwing rocks and large bottles at Chassidic men a few hundred feet away from the centre of the rally.

As the Chassidim surged forward, police rushed in and held them back. One non-Lubavitcher, thought to be affiliated with the militant Kahane Chai group, was arrested.

Shortly after that, bottles and rocks were rained down on the Jewish crowd from apartment building roofs. One Lubavitcher, bleeding profusely from a cut on his hand, was taken to the hospital by ambulance.

Another scuffle broke out as non-Lubavitch Jews who had come to the rally from outside the community jumped on two of the black rock-throwers, according to Kasriel Shemtov, a Crown Heights resident.

There was anger and tension, but the evening passed peacefully, for the most part.

A handful of blacks even stood on the periphery of the Jewish crowd and listened to the Lubavitch speakers, apparently feeling safe, though few police were nearby.

At Sunday's rally, people came from across the city, in an expression of unity that was appreciated by the Lubavitch community. But there was little visibly non-Orthodox presence at the rally, at which organizers tried to keep the sexes separate as if in a Chassidic synagogue.

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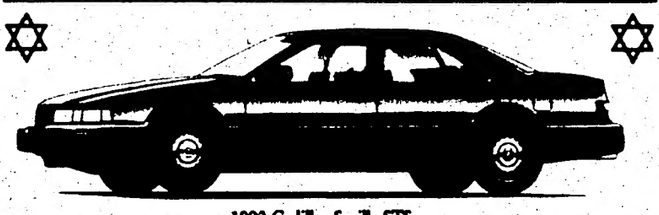

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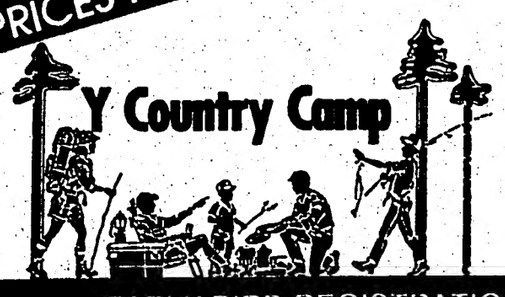

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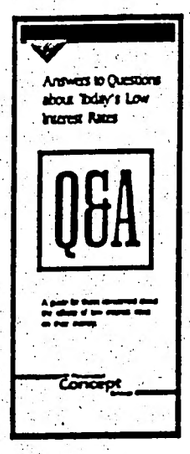

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Uri Lubrani

Peace talks on despite attacks

By RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Israel will continue to seek peace with Lebanon, despite the recent border attacks that left five soldiers and a young boy dead, says the head of Israel's negotiating team at the bilateral peace talks with Lebanon.

Uri Lubrani, the government's Co-ordinator of Lebanon Affairs, says the Jewish state "is on record as dealing with" attacks from the so-called security zone and is pursuing peace "as if there were no incidents at the border."

The CJN's interview with Lubrani came before Israel responded to the rocket attacks by amassing troops, tanks and artillery at its northern frontier.

Lubrani flew here from Washington, where Israel was conducting separate bilateral talks with Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and a delegation of Palestinians, to speak to United Jewish Appeal volunteers and campaign workers. The talks were scheduled to resume this week, following the U.S. presidential election.

Lubrani insisted that despite attempts by the radical Islamic group Hezbollah to scuttle the talks, Israel will continue to seek peace with Lebanon and its Syrian occupiers.

In fact, the "key to progress" in the talks is with Syria and not Lebanon, Lubrani said.

Syria, Israel's most intractable foe, has had direct control of Lebanese affairs and effectively occupied much of the country for the past decade, while pro-Syrian and pro-Iranian fighters continue to use pockets of Lebanon as bases.

Lubrani contends Lebanon is a viable, independent state, although one that "has gone through a period of mutilation" and is still in a state of "disorientation." The government in Beirut, led by President Elias Hrawi, "still cannot ensure us of its capability to take care of its border."

The Syrians will withdraw from Lebanon "when they realize their presence there is counter-productive to the peace process."

Lubrani couldn't say whether Lebanon's wrenching 17-year civil war is over or in a lull.

In any case, he stressed that Israel is continuing to negotiate with Lebanon on the fate of one missing Israeli navigator, three soldiers listing as Missing in Action since the 1982 invasion and the bodies of two soldiers kidnapped in 1986 and since known to have died.

In the meantime, Israel still has a trump card: Sheik Abdel Karim Obeid, the Hezbollah cleric kidnapped from south Lebanon by Israeli commandos in 1989.

The 65-year-old Lubrani, a former Israeli ambassador to Iran and Ethiopia, was also the mastermind behind Israel's dramatic 1991 airlift of nearly 15,000 Ethiopian Jews in just over 30 hours.

Lubrani is tight-lipped about Operation Solomon, which is said to have rescued Ethiopia's ancient and imperiled Jewish community in the nick of time. He concedes that the full truth about the "very complex" rescue mission will likely never be known.

Compounding the secret operation was the fall of Ethiopia's former Marxist government. The new government, however, wanted to complete the rescue to curry favor with the United States, Lubrani said.

A crack air force squad led the airlift and there was unprecedented co-operation between Israel's defense forces, the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee and the Jewish Agency, he said.

There are, however, "a few" Ethiopians left in the country and who want to immigrate to Israel. These present a problem, Lubrani explained, because they are either Christians or animists who have converted to Judaism, probably to get out, or Christians who can trace their lineage to a Jewish ancestor.

Israel is looking into their claims, Lubrani said.

50 Years Ago ...a look back

ZIONISTS DISCUSS POST-WAR POSSIBILITIES

TEL AVIV, Oct. 1, 1942 (JTA) —

The possibility that the British government will reward the Jews in Palestine for their contribution to the war effort, which is acknowledged both by the civil and military authorities, was hinted at today's session of the "war-time congress" which is taking place in lieu of the World Zionist Congress, with more than 200 delegates of the last Zionist Congress in 1939, which was interrupted by the outbreak of the war, in attendance.

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JEWISH INFANTS USED FOR FOOTBALLS

KUIBYSHEV, Oct. 6, 1942 (JTA) —

A Red Army soldier now fighting on the Stalingrad front gave an account of a horrible massacre of Jewish children which took place last July in Pogrobistchi, in the Nazi-occupied Kiev district, from where he escaped last month.

In a story appearing in the Soviet press, the soldier, 26-year-old Abraham Fivusowitsch, stated that one rainy day last July 600 Jewish families from the towns of Lipowitz, Kasatin and Skwira were driven to Pogrobistchi.

By July 27 the stadium (there) was cleared. That evening all the Jews — men, women and children, well or ill — were ordered to be at the stadium. The men were placed in one section and the women in another. The women, of whom there were 500, were instructed to hold their children in their arms.

"A few minutes after we had all assembled, a group of German soldiers, dressed in athletic uniforms, entered the stadium," Fivusowitsch relates. "The Germans snatched the infants from their mothers' arms and used them for balls, bouncing and kicking them around the arena. In a short time the ground was drenched with blood and the stadium was filled with the anguished cries of the women whose children were being murdered before their eyes. I succeeded in escaping that same night, and reached the Red Army lines in August. I learned, however, that many of the Jews who had been forced to witness the massacre became insane while others died of fright."

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CHURCH LEADERS PROTEST TO MUSSOLINI

ZURICH, Oct. 11, 1942 (JTA) —

The bishops of Rome, Turin, Milan, Trieste, Fiume and Padua have made strong protests to Premier Mussolini against the persecution of Jews in Italy, it is revealed in the *Regime Fascista*.

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NAZI OFFICIAL APPALLED BY GHETTO

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 11, 1942 (JTA) —

The misery prevailing among the Jews in the ghettos in Nazi-held Poland is too much even for Werner Schramm, the hard-boiled Nazi official whom Hitler has appointed as leader of the German youth in occupied Poland.

In an interview published in the German press, Schramm admits that what he saw in the Jewish ghetto in Mlava, near Warsaw, made such an impression on him that he found it necessary to apologize to the leaders of the Jewish community there for the sufferings which they are undergoing.

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ANTI-SEMITIC OUTBURST IN MEXICAN PARLIAMENT

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 13, 1942 (JTA) —

An outburst of anti-Semitism in the Mexican Chamber of Deputies has shocked this country into an awareness of the inroads being made by the propaganda of such organizations as the native fascist National Sinarchist Union and the Spanish Falange, and has brought about a demand for an investigation of the links between these organizations and certain Mexican legislators.

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30,000 JEWS EXECUTED IN SERBIA

ISTANBUL, Oct. 14, 1942 (JTA) —

More than 30,000 Yugoslavian Jews have been massacred in Axis-occupied Serbia by the occupational authorities , according to information reaching official Yugoslavian circles. Several thousand Jews who escaped execution have either joined the ranks of the Yugoslav partisans or are living in the mountains as nomads, the report said.

Golan Heights' return viewed as a possibility

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Syria could get back all of the Golan Heights from Israel if President Hafez Assad made a similar gesture as Egyptian leader Anwar Sadat and addressed the Knesset, a prominent Israeli international law expert thinks.

If an agreement on demilitarization was reached with Syria, Yoram Dinstein believes the Golan is of little strategic importance to Israel. "That the Golan Heights are a rampart is an antiquated position," he said.

Dinstein is president of Tel Aviv University, home of the influential Jaffe Centre for Strategic Studies among other think tanks. TAU rector Itamar Rabinovitch was Israel's chief negotiator at the latest round of Middle East peace talks, which concluded last month in Washington.

Yoram Dinstein

Dinstein described Assad as a very credible negotiating partner for Israel, more important at this time than the Palestinian representatives or any other Arab state leader.

Dinstein thinks Assad is serious about peace with Israel and, perhaps more significantly, has the power to deliver the goods.

An agreement with Syria is possible within two months, Dinstein believes, and it must come before any long-term settlement with the Palestinians is possible.

Moreover, it is the Arab state that poses the real menace to Israel. "The Palestinians were never more than a thorn in the side, a nuisance, since Israel's statehood. They have not been an existential threat since early 1948."

Current Palestinian demands are "light-years away from what Israeli public opinion will accept."

The Labor coalition's majority is so slim and fragile that if Yitzhak Rabin offered the Palestinians statehood "the government would disintegrate overnight.

Since Syria and Israel signed the disengagement of forces agreement in 1974, there has not been a single incident of infiltration, not even during the 1982 war, which is astonishing."

He contrasts this situation with that on Israel's Jordanian border where Palestinian incursions are increasingly frequent despite King Hussein's attempts to control them. Even a peace treaty with Egypt has not prevented Palestinian guerrillas from crossing its Israeli frontier.

The Golan has been peaceful because Assad has "full control" over his armed forces, Dinstein said.

"While it is true the borders on Jordan and Egypt are longer, Syria has many more troops on its border with Israel."

Dinstein also thinks Assad is a man of his word. "If Assad signs on the dotted line, the agreement will hold. The challenge is to get him to walk down the aisle to the chupah."

In reality, Dinstein agreed that how much of the Golan Israel is prepared to surrender is debatable.

"From day one, the territories have been held as bargaining chips. The trouble is that successive Israeli governments have become too enamored with these chips. Now we have a prime minister that is willing to bargain."

A buffer zone in the Golan controlled by America or the United Nations could ensure Israel's security after a withdrawal, he said.

"In the age of Scud missiles, distances mean a lot less. Tel Aviv can be hit today from Damascus. In the 1991 Gulf War, it was more dangerous to be in Tel Aviv than the Golan Heights."

At this point though, Syria has yet to define what it will exchange for peace, he said.

What Israel wants is a "complete normalization of relations with Syria. We want to see the Israeli flag flying in Damascus."

The collapse of the Soviet Union and the consequent loss of its principal patron was the primary event that triggered Syria's search for accommodation with Israel, Dinstein feels. Syria is eager now to foster a good relationship with the United States, and the best way is to make peace with Israel, according to Dinstein.

He described Israel-U.S. relations as back to normal. "The problem was a lack of chemistry between Shamir and Bush."

The United States needs a reliable ally in the Middle East as much as ever.

Reform Judaism conference planned

TORONTO —

On Nov. 19-22, in Ottawa, the Canadian Council of Reform Judaism, representing Canada's 23 Reform congregations, will hold its Biennial Convention.

The theme of the convention will be Reform Judaism In Canada: Spirituality, Social Justice and National Identity.

Keynote speakers will include Rabbi Alexander Schindler, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, of which the C.C.L.C. is the Canadian region; Rabbi Clifford Kulwin, director of international affairs, World Union For Progressive Judaism, of which the Union of American Hebrew Congregations is the North American constituency; and Bob Rae, Premier of Ontario, who will give the closing address to the convention on The Partnership of Government and the Religious Communities in Shaping the Future of Canadian Society.

A special National Unity presentation will be held, featuring Bernard Landry, vice-president of the Parti Quebecois; Hugh Segal, chief of staff to Prime Minister Mulroney; and Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut, senior scholar of Holy Blossom Temple.

On Saturday evening, Nov. 21, the National Assembly of KADIMA — Canadian Council of Reform Zionists will convene under the chairmanship of KADIMA president, Rabbi Dow Marmur, and will welcome two visiting Members of Knesset.

On Sunday, Nov. 22, the Canadian Council for Reform Judaism will hold its biennial plenary, marking the end of term of its president, Jewel Poch of Montreal, and the beginning of term of its incoming president, Austin Beutel of Toronto.

The convention will feature a number of synagogue management and programming workshops, led by members of the Reform movement who are among the active leadership of the Jewish community, and by UAHC Regional and National staff.

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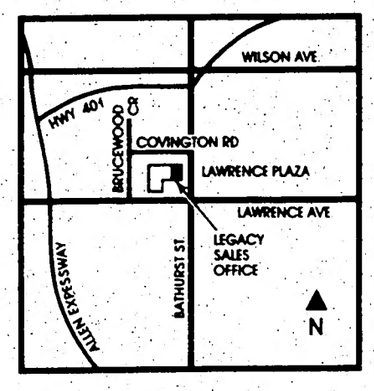

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The News in Brief

Germany may take action

BONN — Germany's interior minister has ordered the federal office that monitors extremist political activities to examine the possibility of banning a number of neo-Nazi organizations.

The spokesman for the Interior Minister Rudolf Seiters said that the examination would particularly look into groups that have been heavily involved in the recent wave of violence against foreigners.

This attitude, which represents a shift in the office's policy, was expressed in several interviews and appears geared to head off criticism by the Jewish community and other groups.

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Skull reveals ancient surgery

JERUSALEM — Evidence of surgery has been found on the skull of an eight-year-old child who died 4,200 years ago. The skull was found by the Antiquities Authority at Dimona.

The patient apparently died during the operation, known as trephination.

Bronze Age surgeons using metal scrapers opened an oblong, matchbox-size hole in the top of the skull to either release pressure or drain an infection, according to Joe Zias, an anthropologist with the authority.

Such operations were performed as early as 10,000 years ago, but rarely on children, said Zias.

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Kosher meat fight

COPENHAGEN — The Jewish community here is fighting back an assault by an animal rights group on the practice of kosher slaughter.

Religious requirements prohibit acquiescence to a demand that animals be stunned before ritual slaughter, or shechitah, as it is called in Hebrew. The demand was put forward by the Danish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

A similar battle is being fought by the Jewish community in Australia along the lines of a scenario played out in recent years in several European countries.

Jews in Sweden lost their bid for kosher meat but won a battle to continue kosher slaughter of fowl. In Britain, the practice of shechita was retained after a protracted battle over the kind and position of pens in which animals are slaughtered under laws of kashrut.

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Religious articles buried

JERUSALEM — Chief Rabbi Mordechai Eliahu joined hundreds of haredim at a burial ceremony for the hundreds of Bibles and religious articles recently destroyed by arsonists, believed to be Arab nationalists, at the Tomb of Shimon Hatzadik.

The charred remains were placed in large clay vases, and buried just outside the caves, in the east Jerusalem neighborhood, where the tomb is located.

Right-wing Kach activists in the crowd began throwing stones at Arab homes after the ceremony, and then at Border Police who arrived on the scene.

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Fast growth predicted

JERUSALEM — Israel is likely to experience accelerated economic growth in the coming decade, according to a study put out by the Bank of Israel's research department.

The study noted that there is a high correlation between per capita growth in the gross domestic product (GDP) and two demographic factors: the percentage of the population between the ages of 20 and 64 and the educational level of this group. Both are expected to rise significantly in the next 10 years.

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Via Bethlehem sticker

JERUSALEM — A campaign to route masses of Christmas cards from around the world through Israel has been launched by the Israel Postal Authority. Thousands of samples have been dispatched to Christian communities around the world with explanations on how the cards they send to relatives and friends can be affixed with a "Via Bethlehem" sticker and a holiday stamp and franked with a Bethlehem postmark for 60 cents a letter.

The stamp says "Season's Greetings from the Holy Land," with "Israel" printed below in Hebrew, Arabic and English.

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Israelis staying single longer

JERUSALEM — The average age at which Jewish singles marry in Israel has gone up by nearly two years during the past 15 years, and some 13 percent of the couples married during the late 60s and early 70s have divorced, according to the late Statistical Yearbook due to be released next week.

Men who married in 1990 averaged 26.7 years, while for women it was 23.9. The yearbook also notes that in 1991, some 24,300 Israeli couples married, while some 5,600 divorced.

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Ukrainian righteous gentiles

MOSCOW — In the first ceremony of its kind in Ukraine, seven Ukrainian citizens have been inducted into Yad Vashem's Righteous Gentiles Among the Nations for their efforts to save Jews during the Holocaust.

Their numbers decimated by time, only two of the seven attended the ceremony in their honor, which was held in Lvov. Two had passed away, one had gone to America years ago, one was too ill to come and the seventh could not be found. The deceased and ill were represented by their relatives.

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Jews join Brazilian coalition

SAO PAULO — Jewish groups have joined a newly formed Brazilian coalition to combat anti-Semitism and racism.

More than 300 persons this week attended the founding meeting of the Democratic Movement against Nazism and All Forms of Discrimination.

They represented 100 human rights and other groups including representatives of the black and Jewish communities and Brazilian migrants from the northeast.

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Holocaust course

ROCHESTER — Some 380 students — 10 percent of Rochester University undergraduates — signed up for a new course on the Holocaust taught by William Green, religion professor and dean of undergraduate studies in the College of Arts and Science, and Celia Applegate, history professor and dean for sophomores.

Through lectures, discussions, thousands of pages of reading, and a screening of Claude Lanzmann's nine-hour-long *Shoah*, Green and Applegate tried to uncover common myths about the Holocaust — that it was the work of a handful of crazed and/or uniquely evil people or that it was an aberration of history that briefly interrupted European "progress."

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Immigration increases

JERUSALEM — The number of immigrants who arrived between July and September increased by 38 percent over the second quarter of 1992. Absorption Minister Yair Tsaban said that 19,806 immigrants had come since the new government had been elected.

Tsaban noted that some 70 percent of the new immigrants from the CIS — according to surveys of the Jewish Agency and Joint Distribution Committee — had found some sort of employment in the past two and a half years. This, he said, was largely due to their own resourcefulness.

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Haifa U continues to grow

HAIFA — In the days before Rosh Hashanah, some 9,500 students registered to study at the University of Haifa or one of its affiliated colleges. This number represents a student body growth of 25 percent over last year and nearly 40 percent over that of two years ago.

The large increase in students is in accordance with a Board of Governors' decision taken in 1991 to enlarge the student population of the Mt. Carmel institution to some 12,000 full-time students by 1996. The move was necessitated by the large immigration waves, especially from the former Soviet Union, and the policy of providing equal educational opportunity to all layers of the population.

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Book charge dismissed

FREDERICTON —A provincial court judge has dismissed a municipal by-law charge that a vendor was illegally selling books by controversial Moncton teacher Malcolm Ross.

Carole Yaqzan had been charged by city police in connection with two incidents in September 1991 in which she was selling an assortment of books in a booth at a major downtown intersection.

Following complaints about the books, Mayor Brad Woodside revoked Yaqzan's vendor's license. He told court he was concerned that altercations would be prompted by sale of the books.

But Judge Hazen Strange ruled that city council granted the seller's license and that Mayor Woodside had no authority to revoke it.

Ross has written several books that question the Holocaust and which allege an international Jewish conspiracy to undermine Christianity.

Front Line

Peace talks, terrorist violence create a complex web

By GIL SEDAN

When Israelis and Arabs launched a new peace process in Madrid a year ago, Jerusalem knew all too well there were plenty of minefields along the way, and that extremists would do everything in their power to blow up the talks.

And yet when that prognosis became a deadly reality, with six Israeli soldiers killed in one day, it hurt almost too much to bear.

Naturally, an Israeli response was forthcoming.

Soldiers in the Hebron area of the West Bank searched through the night for the fundamentalist Hamas terrorists believed responsible for killing reserve Sgt. Shmuel Gersh at the Tomb of the Patriarchs and wounding another soldier. The army was holding several suspects as a general curfew continued.

And in southern Lebanon, Israeli cannons were pounding Hezbollah targets to the north in retaliation for a terror operation that killed five soldiers and wounded five more, four of them seriously.

Israelis were still digesting these losses when a Jewish farmer was seriously wounded by a firebomb thrown at his car near the West Bank village of Habla.

Politicians and senior army officers made all the expected promises to find and punish the perpetrators. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin vowed to act "with an iron fist against the violence" although adding that Israel's hand remained outstretched for peace.

These measures could provide little comfort to the six bereaved families.

An imbalance is built into the situation. Israeli policy-makers are determined to pursue the peace process as if there were no escalation in the intifada. But the Israel Defence Force cannot fight the intifada as if there were no peace process.

There is much truth to claims by the right-wing opposition that the army's hands are tied in its battle against the Palestinian uprising in the territories.

Only two months ago, Israel freed 800 security prisoners as a gesture of good will toward the Palestinians amid a hopeful start to renewed peace talks.

New settlement building was frozen; a sit-in at A-Najah University in Nablus and a hunger strike by security prisoners ended with unprecedented agreements between the government and the local Palestinian leadership. For awhile, the army even thinned out its presence in the territories.

But that was not enough to satisfy the extremists in the territories. In fact, extremists in hard-line groups like the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine and the Democratic Front oppose any degree of normalization, which could mean moving toward an accord on a transitional period of self-government in the territories.

And here, paradoxically, is the meeting point between the interests of the murderers of the soldier in Hebron and those of the Jews in Hebron whom he had guarded. Both want to halt the peace process.

The two attackers in Hebron were identified as members of the Izz a-Din al-Kassam terror cell, allied to the Gaza-based Hamas Moslem fundamentalist group.

Security forces believe the commander of the cell, Bashir Hamad, took part in the attack.

Several hours after the killing, hundreds of Jewish settlers drove from Hebron to Jerusalem to stage an angry demonstration outside the prime minister's residence in Rehavia and at the King David Hotel, where Rabin was entertaining visiting Portuguese Prime Minister Anibal Cavaco Silva.

Police and security guards barely managed to hold back demonstrators from pushing into the hotel. Rabin and his guest had to leave through a back door.

At a time when extremists seem to be dictating the pace of events in the Palestinian street, it now appears a parallel development is taking place in the streets of Jewish settlements in the territories.

"A vicious circle has developed," Rabin told foreign reporters after the protest at the King David Hotel. "The extremists on the Arab side nourish those on ours, and give them a reason to demonstrate."

Since the beginning of October, terrorists have struck nine times in Israel, the territories and southern Lebanon, killing six soldiers and three civilians, and wounding 19 more, seven of them seriously.

There is no clear answer to the question of why the terrorists are enjoying increasing success. A former senior army officer took a philosophical view: "There are better days and worse days," said reserve Maj. Gen. Ori Orr, chairman of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee.

But there is more to it than bad luck. True, the terrorists are trying harder with the goal of blocking progress in the peace talks. But they also have increased capability.

They appear to be in possession of firearms they did not have in the past and are less hesitant in going beyond civilian to military targets. In the Oct. 17 ambush of an Israeli car near the settlement of Matityahu in the Judean Hills, they used a sophisticated trip-wire road bomb of a kind often used by terrorists in southern Lebanon.

Right-wing activists this week reiterated demands for a tougher hand against the terrorists. In the wake of the attacks in Lebanon and Hebron, many demanded Rabin recall the Israeli delegation to the peace talks in Washington.

But Israeli policy-makers know the sad truth: Not much can be done to end Palestinian violence, which is woven into the fabric of a complex web of relationships. — JPFS

Cracow undergoes changes as old regime fades

By BELINDA COOPER

Cracow has changed a lot since my last visit in May, 1990, when it played host to the Second Festival of Jewish Culture. The streets are lively and full of new stores, people are friendlier, the city cleaner and less polluted. And foreigners have become a visible presence.

One of the first snack bars we see on entering the old town is called Beirut and offers falafel and shwarma, while farther on an Indian clothing store and an Italian restaurant alternate with more traditional Polish offerings.

On a more sophisticated level, the city was hosting the first Month of European Culture. Posters everywhere announce performances and exhibits of art, theatre, music and film, both foreign and Polish.

The Third Festival of Jewish Culture, held this year as part of the larger European cultural festival, takes place in a far more cosmopolitan atmosphere than its predecessors. This time, it is difficult to imagine anti-Semitic graffiti appearing — and none does.

The first Jewish cultural festival in Cracow was held in 1988, under the old regime. Though over three million Jews once lived in Poland, the Holocaust and subsequent emigration to escape post-war anti-Semitism had left little more than a handful behind. Nevertheless, Jews and Judaism had been a popular theme among critical Polish intellectuals for some time, in part because the topic was taboo. In Communist Poland, at least officially, minorities ceased to exist. "Young people perceived the silence connected with the subject," says Slawka, a philosophy student.

With the rise of Solidarity and the imposition of martial law in the early 80s, taboos began to crumble. "At first it was an intellectual fashion. Jewish culture was considered exotic," says Slawka, "but underneath there were the beginnings of something more."

Searching for their roots, Poles began rediscovering centuries of Jewish contributions to Polish life. *Znak*, a progressive Catholic journal, published issues promoting Polish-Jewish dialogue. In 1986, Cracow's ancient Jagiellonian University established a Research Centre on Jewish History and Culture in Poland, headed by the university's highly respected former rector, Josef Gierowski.

And two young Poles, Janusz Malkuch and Krzysztof Gierat, decided it was time to reintroduce Jewish culture to Poland in more popular form.

For Malkuch, a dark-bearded, intense 32-year-old, discovering the Jewish world was "like discovering Atlantis." The 1988 festival grew out of this fascination with Jewish culture, as well as a desire to set the record straight: "Jews had a great influence on Polish culture. We talk about Arthur Rubenstein, the great Polish pianist, or Ludwig Zamenhof, the great Polish linguist; and I thought — tell the truth. They were Jews."

The first festival, a small-scale film festival and symposium without government support, attracted a handful of Polish experts on anti-Semitism and Jewish culture.

The second, carried out in the freer atmosphere of 1990, was a more impressive performance — two weeks filled with an international program of Jewish-themed film, music and discussion. But most of the groups performing the music were non-Jewish, lending the event a feeling of unreality.

The anti-Semitic graffiti that soon appeared provided the finishing touches. For Jewish visitors, a Jewish festival in a country they saw as little more than a Jewish cemetery seemed a bit perverse; despite the organizers' obvious good intentions, an eerie sadness prevailed.

But Gierat and Malkuch persisted, convinced of the importance of their project; and judging by this year's festival, they were right to do so. Assisted by the American-born, Berlin-based klezmer musician Joel Rubin, the two succeeded in presenting a high-quality program of Jewish music from Israel, the United States and Europe that included the Klezmatics, Shura Lipovsky, Piamenta, Rabbi Shlomo Carlebach and others.

In addition to the usual films, theatrical performances and exhibits, a symposium on the Polish-Jewish writer Bruno Schulz completed the program. Each evening at the "festival club," musicians, organizers and audience met in an international potpourri.

Of course, the irony of performing Jewish music on the equivlent of an enormous Jewish cemetery remains. One musician, visiting Poland for the first time, admitted to feeling a bit like a "dancing bear," exhibiting her culture in front of a curious audience. Overall, however, response to the festival was positive.

"Given that there's no Jewish community here now, the only appropriate response is to promote a respectful remembrance of the culture that was destroyed," commented Jack Falk of the American band Oomph!, while stressing the importance of imparting "a sense of Judaism not just as a victim, but as a living culture."

For Malkuch, the fact that Jewish groups overcame their reservations to play in the festival indicates a gradual normalization between Poles and Jews — the aim for which he strives.

"I will be happy when people in Poland realize that the Jews are like the Americans or the French: different, but normal. And when the word Jew becomes a normal word."

Integrated into the lively atmosphere of the European Cultural Month, this year's Jewish festival seemed far less a paradox than its predecessor.

Still, Poland continues to be a strange and contradictory place for a Jewish visitor. "Auschwitz, everyday tour by bus with guide in English," announce signs plastered throughout the city in large English letters, side by side with posters advertising the film *Basic Instinct*.

Sign advertising the festival on the main market square.

In the market hall on the main square, souvenir carvings and figures of Chassidic Jews are sold matter-of-factly alongside madonnas and figures of Jesus.

And the (non-Jewish) owner of the Hadar gallery of Jewish art admits that one reason she started the gallery three years ago was the rising interest in Jews; despite her sincerity, it is difficult not to suspect a profit motive. Along with its Jewish heritage, Cracow has also discovered the Jewish market.

The strangeness continues in discussions with intelligent Cracovians. The phrase "Polish anti-Semitism" almost invariably elicits a defensive response; despite centuries of evidence to the contrary, it is difficult to find anyone willing to admit that anti-Semitism is or was more than a marginal phenomenon in Poland.

I am told so often that "King Casimir gave the Jews their own city" (the neighboring town of Kazimierz, now part of Cracow) that I almost begin to believe it. The truth is somwehat different: Cracow banned its Jews to Kazimierz in the 15th century, following a fire for which they were held responsible.

The controversy over the Catholic convent at Auschwitz also looks different through Polish eyes; while few support Cardinal Glemp and his anti-Semitic rantings ("People say he was put here to test our faith," laughs a friend), many are convinced that the conflict was "used" by outsiders (that is, the American Jewish protesters) for their own ends. It seems that Poles understand Jewish sensibilities as little as Jews understands those of the Poles.

And as is so often the case, Jews simply cannot win. Two years ago, Cracow residents muttered fearfully that "the Jews" might come back to claim their property. Now, an articulate deputy mayor voices his disappointment that so few Jews have in fact reclaimed property — or invested money — in Cracow.

Jewish reservations about Poland, he tells me, are at least in part the result of an anti-Polish campaign by foreigners. "After all, we Poles prov ed during the war that we are humane."

Not that Poland's intellectuals are anti-Semitic; more often exactly the opposite is true. But self-criticism apparently has yet to make major inroads into Polish view of history. Pogroms, blood libels, boycotts and wartime betrayals of Jews do not fit the preferred image of a heroic, martyred Poland.

At most, the people I speak with acknowledge 40 years of Communist anti-Semitism as a possible reason for continued Jewish coolness towards their country.

Nevertheless, change is in the air. As freedom of speech and press becomes an established fact of life, open and critical discussion of anti-Semitism and Jewish topics is no longer uncommon. Publishers regularly print the works of Polish-Jewish writers; a Jewish cultural centre is to be established in Kazimierz. And the well-publicized biannual Festival of Jewish Culture (which alternates in off-years with a Festival of Jewish Kazimierz) has undoubtedly succeeded in making Jews less alien to young Poles.

Two years ago, Agnieszka, a student of American literature, admitted she had never before heard anyone say "I'm Jewish." The 1990 festival created a new awareness, she tells me; afterwards, "Whenever I had an opportunity, I read articles about Jewish issues. Whenever I met Jewish people, I asked them questions about what Jewishness means to them."

Janusz Maslkuch says he has received no negative response to the festival this year. "Maybe something has changed inside people," he offers hopefully.

Despite such positive signs, for Jews from outside Poland, reservations inevitably remain. A German Jewish visitor puts it ironically: interest in Jews seem to increase in proportion to their disappearance from the population.

Certainly it is easier to commemorate three million dead neighbors than to share the difficult realities of daily life with them. Yet, though Malkuch has no illusions about Jews returning to Poland, his hopes are sincere: "When I drink and talk with my Jewish friends, we are creating a new world."

In a small way, the young Poles, Jews and Germans who danced into the night to Klezmer music at the festival's final open-air concert, among the ghostly ruins of Kazimierz, may have been doing just that.

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Après Charlottetown

Where do we go from here? For the cultural communities — to use the Quebec phraseology for ethnic minorities — this is a question of peculiar urgency, given their massive support for the failed Charlottetown Accord.

Because of the country-wide scope of the No vote, Canada has emerged from the referendum intact, politically and economically. Minority communities like ours, who are more likely to be threatened in times of economic or political upheaval, supported the Accord because it seemed to provide the best assurances of keeping Canada united. We can take some comfort from the fact that Canada does remain united — around a grumpy No. But this is short-term relief.

Alarmingly, in some areas, there seems to have been a sense of grievance animating the No vote — a feeling that some provinces or groups got too much out of the Accord; others not enough.

It is essential that members of the Jewish community, as individuals and through our communal organizations, continue to support and practise the tolerance towards others' needs that was one of the characteristics of the Accord.

For the Jewish community of Montreal, this has been an especially difficult debate. Predominately anglophone, they, like other anglophones, have felt the effects of the language laws and the exodus of their young people. But their support for the Accord has been expressed at the communal level in positive terms, as support for a united Canada which includes Quebec, rather than in shrill accusations against francophone Quebecers. The Jewish community of Montreal has demonstrated a very sophisticated understanding of the needs of francophone Quebecers for cultural and linguistic growth, even though they oppose some of the methods — like the law prohibiting English-language signs outside business establishments — used to achieve it.

In the months ahead, both the Liberal government of Mr. Bourassa and the Parti Québécois of Mr. Parizeau will have opportunities to show their commitment to the growth of a truly multicultural Quebec.

The Accord was an attempt to describe in constitutional language the delicate web of compromise and tolerance that holds this country together. It didn't work.

The words have failed us. But we must keep the spirit.

Maintenant, quelle direction devons-nous suivre? Pour les communautés culturelles, il s'agit là d'une question d'urgence particu lière, donné le support massif qu'elles ont demontré envers l'accord de Charlottetown qui vient d'échouer.

A la suite de l'envergure nationale du rejet de l'Accord, le Canada a emergé du réferendum politiquement et économiquement intact. Les communautés minoritaires telles que la notre, qui ont plus tendance à se sentir menacées par les bouleversements politiques ou économiques, avaient supporté l'Accord parce qui'il semblait fournir le moyen le plus sûr de garder le Canada uni. Nous pouvons donc prendre quelque comfort du fait que le Canada est resté uni — même si c'est par l'entremise d'un Non grincheux. Mais il s'agit là d'un répit à court terme.

Ce qui est des plus alarmants, c'est que dans certaines régions, il semble qu'un sens de grief a été à la base du vote négatif — un sentiment que certaines provinces ou certains groupes bénéficieraient trop de l'Accord, et d'autres, pas assez.

Il est essentiel ques les membres de la communauté juive, tant les individus que les organisations communautaires, continuent à supporter et à pratiquer la tolérance envers les besoins des autres qui était une des bases de l'Accord.

Pour la communauté juive de Montréal, ceci a été un débat particulièrement difficile. A majorité anglophone, ils ont ressenti, ainsi que les autres anglophones, les effets des lois linguistiques et de l'exode de leurs jeunes. Mais leur support envers l'Accord s'est exprimé, au niveau communautaire, en termes positifs — un support pour un Canada uni qui comprend le Québec — plutôt que dans des accusations aigres contre les Québecois francophones. La communauté juive de Montréal a démontré une compréhension très sophistiquée des besoins des Québecois francophones pour un épanouissement culturel et linguistique, même s'ils sont opposés à certaines des méthodes dont on se sert pour y arriver, telles que la loi 178.

Dans les mois à venir, le gouvernement Libéral de M. Bourassa, ainsi que le Parti Québécois de M. Parizeau, auront la chance de démontrer leur attachement à l'épanouissement d'un Québec vraiment multiculturel.

Les rédacteurs de l'Accord ont essayé d'exprimer en termes constitutionnels la maille de compromis et de tolérance qui tient ce pays ensemble. Cela n'a pas marché.

Les mots ont échoué. Mais nous devons en garder l'inspiration.

ACT OF SOLIDARITY

A group of Christian pilgrims from Argentina parade in the centre of Jerusalem as an act of solidarity with the Jewish people. [I.P.P.A.] photo]

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A ZAIDA'S PLEA

My grandfather died in September, at age 85. Samuel Steinberg was, maybe, the last among 11 sisters and brothers of his family.

I said "maybe," because I still don't know anything about his brothers Ilia and Moisha, who were living in Toronto.

I spoke with my grandfather about them just before his death in Russia, but he was afraid to speak about his brothers over the telephone. Once, during the '50s, he was taken to the KGB. "Do you have relatives abroad?" "Yes, two brothers in Canada." "No — they told him — you have no brothers any more."

Ilia went to Toronto in 1913 or 1914. He was 16 years old and became a cantor. Moisha (born in 1908) went in 1925.

My grandfather asked me to find his brothers, or children of his brothers, or grandchildren. Or anybody, who can say anything about them. And I promised him.

I have to keep my word.

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THE MESSIANIC RABBI

As a director of Jews for Judaism, I have a responsibility to monitor Christian missionary activity targetting Jews and to accurately report this information to the Jewish community.

In your Oct. 1 article entitled *Messianic Jewish groups launch new drive for converts, says Ciss*, I was quoted as saying that Baptist minister Baruch Goldstein refers to himself as a rabbi. You also stated that Rev. Goldstein denied he is using the title of rabbi.

Just to set the record straight, I would note that in an evangelical calendar, complete with Jewish star and Hebrew prayers, that Goldstein's church has randomly mailed to members of our Jewish community, as well as in several different copies of his church's weekly bulletin, this Baptist evangelist either calls himself a "Messianic rabbi," or is referred to as one.

Julius Ciss
Director - Jews for Judaism
Toronto

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POWER CHAIR KEPT OUT

I want to commend Rabbi Tzvi Marx on his recent article *(CJN*, Oct. 15).

I have often felt rejected, less than human, and not entitled to the dignity that the synagogue and its service is supposed to provide. True, the North American culture puts up all sorts of barriers: physically, environmentally, socially and emotionally. However, in G-d's house I expect caring, protection and inclusion.

Rabbis have stated that it is not halachic for me to use my power chair on the Sabbath. They ignore the fact that I am dependent on this chair for mobility as other manual chairs are dangerous to my health and well-being. Here we have one example of "the punishment" for being disabled.

In both synagogues and temples there are barriers to sitting comfortably. The chair is aqueezed in behind a large pillar.

Rabbi Marx cannot stop with this one memorial lecture. Although he resides in the Holy Land, he has to find a way to challenge the rigid Jewish religious community.

Etta Ginsberg-McEwan
Toronto

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THANKS LIBRARIAN

In the liveliness and excitement of the evening on A. M. Klein — Understanding A. M. Klein Through His Poetry — I forgot to acknowledge the tireless and devoted energy of Louise Roskies, program director of the Jewish Public Library, whose tenacity and imaginative help are invaluable.

We, the general public, take for granted the endless (often thankless!) work that produces such a cultural richness.

Miriam Cohen
Montreal

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OPPOSES BABOON TRANSPLANT

Rabbi Moshe David Tendler justifies Dr. Starzl's transplantation of a baboon's liver to give three weeks of life to a dying human being on the Jewish theololgical grounds that "saving one life is tantamount to saving a world," but modern medicine does not proceed from these theological presumptions. Would that it did! A theological argument on behalf of modern medicine which is, among other things, a profit-oriented research industry is an odd use of religion.

Furthermore, in his selection of passages from the Bible, Rabbi Tendler omits the passage from Genesis, in which God instructs Adam and Eve in their diet, "See, I give you every herb, seed and green thing, these shall be yours for food." His interpretation of "dominion" is a post-Baconian modern definition of near-absolute power which was not current at the time Genesis was written, as Rav Kuk stated: "There can be no doubt in the minds of every thinking man that the concept of dominon as expressed in the Torah . . . does not imply the rule of a despot who tyrannically governs selfish ends and with a stubborn heart. Heaven forbid that such a repulsive form of servitude be forever integrated (sealed) into the world of the Lord . . ."

But this is what Rabbi Tendler's interpretation of "dominion" does. To the old wise-saw that "all is fair in love and war," Rabbi Tendler now adds "all's fair in love, war, and healing," and justifies the subjection of nature and all living creatures "for the benefit of human society."

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J.B. Salsberg

J.B. says he is very sorry to miss this issue but he's still in a stage of "betwixt and between". But readers beware. He promises a most exciting and interesting column next week.

Despite its faults vote had positive side

By RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

I am writing this column on the morning after the referendum. It is probably foolhardy to venture my opinion without a proper cooling-off period, without an adequate pause for reflection, but there are times when the pen is stronger than the hand (and not only the sword, as the proverb has it). Besides, today is my deadline for submitting my weekly article.

Some of my friends, as well as a few readers, had asked me earlier why in my past columns, when the debate was raging, I had not taken a stand. Did I agree or disagree with the leadership of Canadian Jewish Congress that a "yes" vote was good for Canada and therefore also for a minority like the Jews? After all, the Charlottetown accord promised an era of stability and, equally important, it advanced aboriginal rights and proclaimed Canada to be a multicultural society. The Canada Clause was wide-ranging and reasonably inclusive. That being so, was it not my duty to urge readers to cast their "yes" vote on Oct. 26?

I didn't see it that way, especially since I thought the accord to be flawed and the process wrong altogether. I thought the support for aboriginal rights to be flabby, the non-mention of women's needs to be a serious (or deliberate) oversight, and the emphasis on collective rights over the individual rights guaranteed in the Charter of Rights and Freedoms to be a dangerous loophole.

Rabbi Plaut

On the other hand, I found the fact that the 10 premiers and aboriginal leaders had reached an agreement with the prime minister and each other to be a hopeful sign, and the general spirit of accommodation with Quebec to be long overdue. I have always held (and have expressed it repeatedly) that we Jews, above all, should know what it means to be a minority, to try and preserve one's cultural identity, one's language and laws. I found the niggling over the "distinct society" clause to be unworthy of the best in Canadian tradition.

Above all, I thought a referendum the worst way to solve a constitutional crisis. It's one thing to hold a yes-or-no plebiscite over a straightforward question such as "Should we make the Northwest Terrotories into the eleventh province?" Prior to that kind of vote we would have examined the pros and cons and then come a decision.

But with the constitution, things were not that straightforward — quite on the contrary. The Charlottetown accord had dozens of different items in it and, truth be told, it was so complex that many a question had to be held in abeyance and the legal text was badly delayed. There was much to which I objected, and much that I heartily endorsed. So, how to vote? "Yes" or "no"?

It came down to a balancing act, and in the end I held my breath and voted "yes," but it was a weak "yes" and I could not really defend it strongly in a column. I therefore followed the advice of the Book of Proverbs and held my silence. I refused public engagements and did not write about it.

But now that the Canadian people have expressed themselves, it is time to recognize that the exercise, flawed as it was, had its positive side. I agree with Premier Bob Rae that in the end Canadian society was strengthened by it.

Why? Because the process involved the public to an unprecedented degree, and because the debate was orderly, thoughtful and issue-oriented. We discussed the meaning of confederation, we acknowledged the existence of aboriginal people as political equals and we generally kept strident tones out of the discussion. Yes, there was cheering and sometimes booing, there was sloganeering and an inordinate amount of money spent on superficial advertising, but when I compare this with the nasty tone that has beset the American election, I am grateful for the less raucous, civilized and measured way in which Canadians went about this difficult business.

On balance, that was good for all of us. I don't know what course Quebec will take, but my instinct tells me that, while the forces of nationalism will be encouraged by the referendum and push harder for sovereignty, they will not sever their connection with Canada. Whatever the arrangement will be, there will be no passports at Hull, when you cross over from Ottawa.

In sum, whether we liked the outcome of the referendum or not, we should feel encouraged by the sense of stability which characterized the process and in that stability I include the people of Quebec. As for women's and native rights, and for minorities in general, there is every opportunity to press for progress on the basis of the existing charter.

Gam zu letova, this too will work out for good.

Golan peace differs greatly from Sinai

By ALOUPH HAREVEN

It is now apparent that in exchange for a total Israeli withdrawal from the Golan Heights, President Hafez Assad would agree to peace with Israel modeled on the peace with Egypt: peaceful relations, an open frontier, exchange of embassies and the demilitarization of the Golan Heights under international control.

However, the Golan Heights are not Sinai, and this is the core of an immensely difficult problem. Sinai extends for over 200km; should Egypt even contemplate infringing the peace treaty and introducing armored divisions into Sinai, that depth would give the IDF time enough to organize and strike at the advancing forces long before they reached the frontier. Thus, paradoxically, Israel has, through the peace with Egypt, acquired strategic depth in Sinai which it lacked when the two armies faced each other at close range on both sides of the Suez Canal.

Compared with Sinai, the Golan Heights provide no strategic depth. They are only 20 km. wide, comprising an area that an unopposed armored division can cross in less than an hour. Therefore, the Golan Heights by itself does not provide Israel with the strategic depth necessary for early alert, should the Syrians infringe the treaty.

What is required, then, is an extension of the demilitarized zone to a considerable depth, one sufficient for Israel to know that should Syria advance into the demilitarized zone, the IDF will have enough time to rush forward and meet the Syrian army on its own territory.

But here a reverse problem arises. It isn't only Israel which has legitimate defence anxieties in this sector. Syria has legitimate defence anxieties too. Its capital, Damascus, is only 60km. from the Golan Heights. In the Yom Kippur War, the IDF advanced to within 30km. of Damascus. In the 1982 Lebanon War, the IDF advanced from Beirut to within 20km. of Damascus.

From the Syrian point of view, the IDF is the strongest army in the Middle East, possessing in addition to a remarkable conventional force, non-conventional weapons; according to foreign sources, these include between 200 and 300 nuclear weapons. Moreover, Israel has close strategic links with the United States, while the Soviet Union, which was Syria's strategic support, has disintegrated. The anxiety on the Syrian side concerning a potential Israeli threat to its capital is thus no less than Israel's anxiety concerning a potential Syrian threat to Lake Kinneret and the Hula Valley. The one redeeming feature of this dilemma is that both Israel and Syria have a healthy respect for each other's military capabilities.

This is the secret agenda of the negotiations between Israel and Syria: How does one solve, simultaneously, legitimate Israeli and Syrian defence problems, when the space between the two sides lacks sufficient depth?

If both sides are genuine in their wish to make peace, they will have to devise a solution which is unique to this sector, with different components from the Sinai model.

The practical - and immensely difficult - problem for both sides is: what will deter a future Syrian ruler (like Sadat, Assad won't be president forever) from suddenly despatching his armored divisions in a surprise move toward Lake Kinneret and the Hula Valley? And what will deter a future Israeli prime minister (Rabin will also not be prime minister for eternity) from sending the IDF rushing toward Damascus?

International guarantees, or even a defence treaty with the United States (or, less probably, with the European Community), aren't in themselves a sufficient deterrent. Even if those countries remain loyal to the treaties they signed 10 or 20 years before, by the time they decide whether and in what fashion they intend to intervene, the aggressor could achieve critically important territorial gains.

Therefore, deterrence - in both directions - must be concrete and present on the ground, at least for the duration of one generation, until peaceful relations between Israel and Syria become like the relations between Belgium and Holland.

To be effective, such deterrence should consist of a military force sufficient in size to require breakthrough by force, should the Syrian army wish to reach Israel, or the IDF to reach Damascus. It should be an international deterrent force, with the core constituted by the United States; a force with genuine "teeth," - say several hundred tanks plus helicopters equipped with long-range anti-tank missiles. Such a force would have standing orders to stop any force - Syrian or Israeli - attempting to advance through its lines.

It could be stationed half-way between Damascus and the Israeli frontier. Any attack upon it would be considered an attack on the states which constitute the force. This, in itself, would provide additional deterrence.

Would Syria consider the presence of such a foreign force on its territory a stain on its national honor? If Syria genuinely desires true peace, it should not consider such a force as hostile but friendly, helping to increase - rather than decrease - Syria's security.

Without a solution of this kind, it is doubtful whether Israel and Syria can reach a mutually satisfactory agreement on peace and security on their own.

Thus, once again, the burden of initiative and innovation falls on the United States. At present, America appears reluctant to become militarily involved in additional outposts in the world. The cost of keeping an armored deterring force between Israel and Syria can be estimated at $1 billion a year. This may sound high, but let us consider the alternatives:

Should peace between Syria and Israel be established, it may well presage an end to the Arab-Israeli wars. With Egypt and Syria at peace with Israel (and most probably Jordan, too) the probability of an Arab war coalition emerging becomes negligible.

Is a billion dollars a year too high a price for the United States and its allies for assuring peace in the Middle East? Or would they prefer to save this sum and risk another Arab-Israeli war, possibly nuclear, which could cost the international community hundreds of billion of dollars?

Had such a force been present along the frontier of Kuwait before August 1990, there would certainly have been no Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, nor the need for the Gulf War (the cost of which ran into hundreds of billion of dollars).

The secret agenda, then, isn't whether Assad and Rabin meet; sometime they probably will. The secret agenda is whether the United States shows itself willing to contribute to the peace between Israel and Syria by providing an effective deterrent force. Without American leadership and innovation in this dimension, peace-making will remain a doubtful enterprise. -JPFS

Kids just love those 'forbidden fruits'

By ERICA MEYER RAUZIN

I have a strange power to make the oddest things appealing to my children: all I have to do to make an undesirable item a desirable one is forbid it.

It's as simple as that.

This is not a new phenomena. Just last week, the Torah portion told us again of Eve's reaction to forbidden fruit. There's nothing like a "hand's off" order to create a "hands on" urge.

For instance, I have told my two daughters that, of course, they may chew gum...but only when they are in an airplane that is taking off or landing, or in any other situation when air pressure is an issue. Other than that, gum chomping is forbidden.

This is a matter of personal taste, mine not theirs. I can't stand to look at a child and see her jaws in a constant motion pushing a wad of sticky goo around and around, like a cud-chewing bovine.

I guess my aversion to chewing gum was permanently implanted when I wore braces on my teeth in the mid-1950s. I was forbidden to chew gum on the pain of ripping out three miles of shining, metallic railroad track. I lost my taste for the slippery stuff and have not been interested since. Of course, I'm not a grade school girl. Both the grade school girls of my intimate aquaintance believe firmly that gum is a better gourmet treat than the finest wines, cheeses or caviars.

Erica Meyer Rauzin

My daughters think I'm an ogre about poor old chewing gum. They buy it whenever they have a spare penny, they masticate it merrily at the homes of their friends and they roll their eyes beseechingly toward heaven when I refuse to add a packet of the latest lurid pink chew-'em to my shopping cart.

But, hey, they love me on airplanes.

This same reaction — the powerful draw of wanting what your're not allowed to have — works on toddlers, also. My son is 2½, an endearing bundle of carefree energy. In all candor, we don't forbid him much. He has the run of office supplies, cooking pans, hair ribbons — almost anything that entertains him happily and safely for even a split second is okay with us.

The only thing we wont't let him have is a toy gun. We are passionately non-violent. We don't own firearms. Our children are not allowed to watch shoot-em-up shows on television, buy violent comic books or own play weapons. Violence breeds violence, and I figure we're best off avoiding it, at least while they are babies.

They can learn about real weapons in a safe way later, if they want, when they are old enough. that seems different. I remember that one of my favorite activities as a teenager at summer camp was target shooting with a .22, but that was an event for older kids, instructed by professionals in the careful handling of real weapons on a target range for the recreational purpose of making precise holes in paper circles. It was noisy, but it wasn't violent, and it wasn't for pre-schoolers. So that's our rule: no guns, be they wooden, metallic or plastic, green, gray or camouflage. Zip. None.

Thus, my son — who has everything ever made with even one of the 101 Dalmations printed on it — has no cap pistols, no cork-popping blow guns, no space swords, no sling shots, no army tanks, no bazookas. Nothing. Nada. So the other day he picked up the toy plastic hair dryer that came with one of the girl's dollies, grabbed its lavender handle, grinned widely, pointed the blowing end at me, and yelled, "Look, Mommy! Pow! Pow!"

The explosive imperative of the forbidden strikes again.

At last, I worked out a solution to this problem. I decided to be far more selective about what I forbid my children to do.

So, I walked in to the family room and told all three of them, "Okay, kids, no more eating peas and carrots. An while we're at it, no more tooth brushing. And cut out all that flossing, too. And by the way, you're not allowed to do your homework, weed the yard or make your beds. All that stuff is forbidden, verboten, off limits, forget it."

With my luck, this time they'll obey.

Features

Jewish Communists disillusioned

BY SHELDON KIRSHNER

They were idealists, Polish Jews whose hopes and dreams of a better world were irretrievably dashed by political intrigue, nationalism and anti-Semitism.

They were part of a generation of Jewish Communists who joined the movement in the 1920s and 1930s, survived World War II in the Soviet Union, rebuilt their lives in Poland and were finally hounded out of their homeland.

Not much has been written about them, but in *The Generation: The Rise and Fall of the Jewish Communists in Poland* (University of California Press, $39.95 U.S.), Jaff Schatz fills in that important gap in Polish-Jewish historiography. Schatz, a sociologist at Lunds University in Sweden, draws on archival material and interviews with 43 surviving members of that chastened generation. Although *The Generation* is somewhat disjointed, it is, on the whole, a fascinating book.

It was not easy being a Communist in pre-war Poland, Schatz writes. "It meant rebellion against the traditional Jewish world, the values of one's parents, and the values of the general society."

Jews who opted for communism perceived Jewish religious movements as reactionary and Zionism and Bundism as insufficiently radical or insufferably nationalist and separatist.

Although there was very limited support for communism in the Jewish community, a disproportionate number of Communists were Jews. In 1930, at its peak, 35 percent of the members of the party were Jewish. In Communist youth organizations, Jewish membership was even higher, while Communists of Jewish origin occupied most of the seats on the central committee.

Communism appealed to some Jews because it opposed anti-Semitism more vigorously than any other Polish party and because it promised to build a society free from national and class oppression. But, as Schatz correctly points out, its opposition to anti-Semitism was not founded on an approval of a separate Jewish cultural identity but rather on the possibility and desirability of full Jewish assimilation.

Jewish Communists reached their apogee in the years immediately after World War II, when the party leadership was totally in the hands of the prewar Communist leadership that abhorred anti-Semitism. The fact that war-ravaged Poland was in urgent need of skilled and committed officials in the administration, the media, the school system and nationalized industry also worked to the advantage of Jewish Communists.

Jews who returned to Poland from exile in the Soviet Union in the aftermath of the war were offered equal rights by the Communists, but otherwise they faced an anti-Semitic backlash. After the July 1946 Kielce pogrom, for example, the primate of Poland, Cardinal Hlond, condemned the perpetrators but explained that resentment of Jews was "due to the Jews who today occupy leading positions in Poland's (Communist) government and endeavor to introduce a governmental structure that the majority of Poles do not wish to have."

The continuing anti-Semitism, together with the shock of the Holocaust, split Poland's Jewish community into two antagonistic camps, writes Schatz.

The "Jewish Jews," consisting mainly of workers, craftsmen and clerks, shared a vision of combining socialism with secular Yiddish culture. The "assimilationists," who were generally better educated and in the higher rungs of society, saw no reason to maintain ethnic peculiarities. Defining themselves solely as Poles, they often Polonized their names and lifestyles. Dedicated communists like Jacub Berman, Hilary Minc and Roman Zambrowski fitted into this mould.

It is they, rather than the "Jewish Jews," who suffered most harshly when state-sanctioned anti-Semitism emerged in the 1950s.

Jews were purged from the armed forces, in line with the policy of "nationalization of the cadres." Jewish functionaries in the party and state administrations were ousted or demoted. At the suggestion of the Soviet Union, the ministry of interior was entrusted with the task of keeping higher officials of Jewish origin under strict watch and of preparing an index of Polish Jews supposedly hostile to Poland. Meanwhile, the security service, which had once been topheavy with Jews, stepped up surveillance of Jewish institutions and persons.

Still, as Schatz observes, anti-Semitic purges in Poland were not as severe as elsewhere in Eastern Europe, at least until 1968.

The surge of anti-Semitism coincided with the emergence of two mutually antagonistic factions within the Communist party. The pro-Soviet, anti-Semitic Natolin group wanted to curb the pace and shape of reform. The Pulawska group, which included several Jews, called for far-reaching liberalization.

With Soviet support, the Natolinians tried to launch a systematic anti-Jewish purge. Its leading member, Zenon Nowak, claimed there were too many Jews in key party positions. Such a personnel policy, he argued, "makes people hate Jews and mistrust the party."

Neither faction gained predominance, but by 1964 most of the reformers and Jews had been purged from the party. Anti-Semitism within the party became increasingly labelled as a battle against Communist "revisionism."

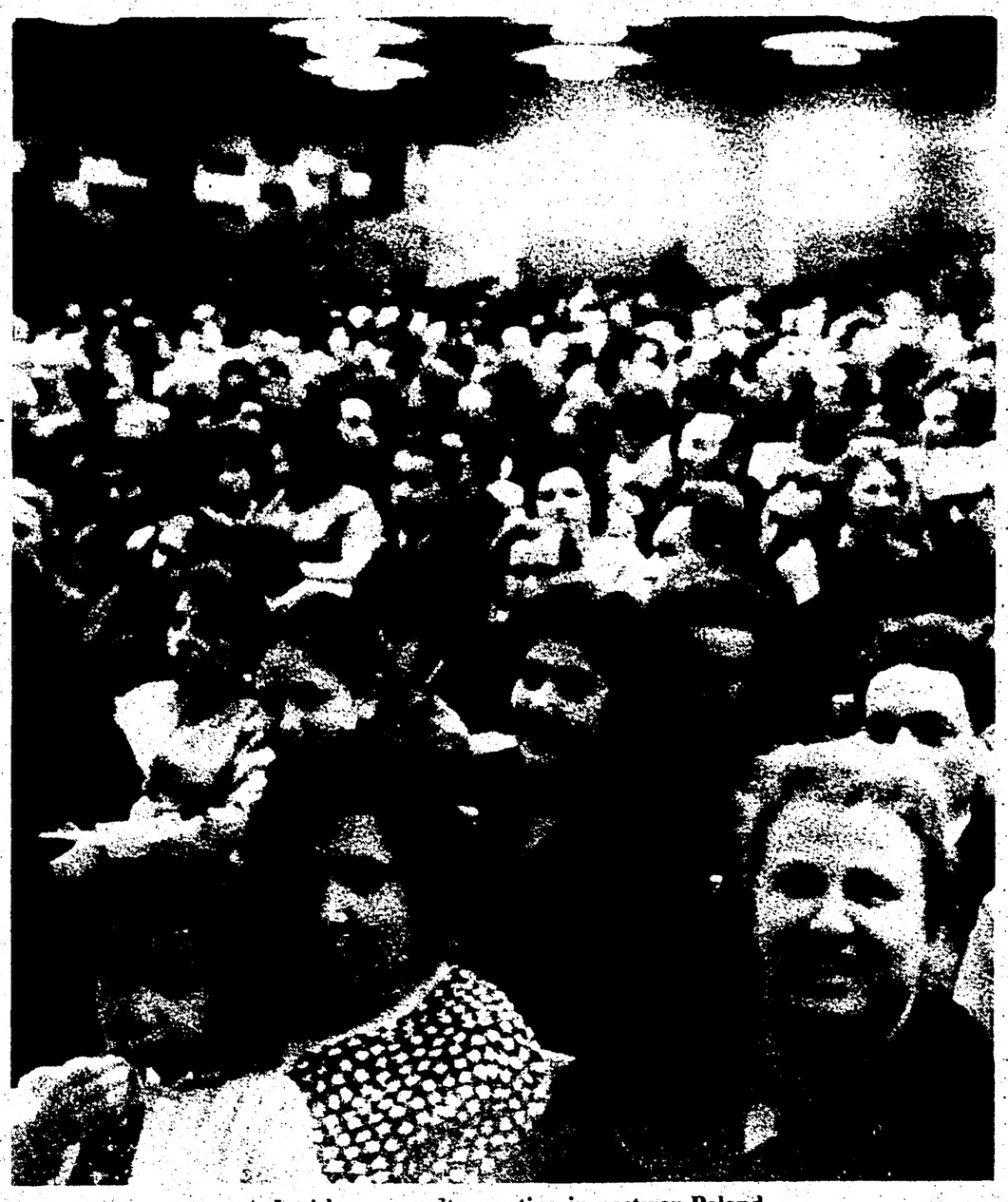
Symptomatic of the mood was the sudden appearance in 1966 of a Polish edition of the *Protocols of the Elders of Zion*, and the pronouncement by party theoretician Zenon Kliszko that warned against Jewish intellectuals.

The anti-Semitic campaign climaxed in 1968 with a wholesale purge of Jews from party and state bureaucracies.

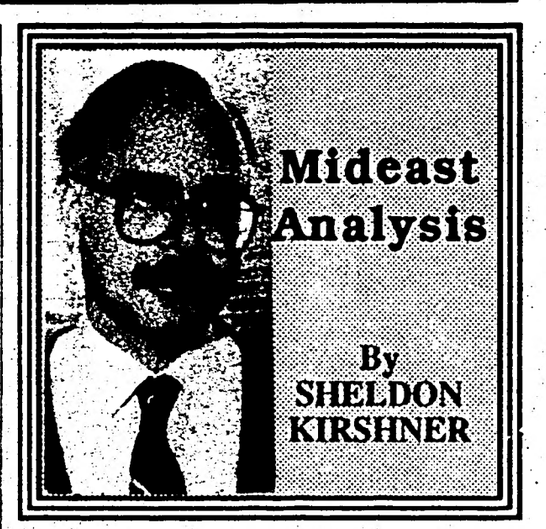
It was spearheaded by the minister of interior, Mieczyslaw Moczar, and central committee spokesman Andrzej Werblan. Moczar denounced "certain politicians ... who ... presumed that only they — the Zambrowskis... the Bermans — had the right to leadership, a monopoly over deciding what was right for the Polish nation." Werblan analyzed the problems of the party in terms of relations and tensions between Polish "patriots" and Jewish "cosmopolitans" or "Zionists."

These events, writes Schatz, resulted in the "total existential defeat" of "the generation" — the Communists of Jewish origin.

A lifetime of dedication and work ended, in nearly all cases, with their emigration from Poland.



A Jewish community meeting in postwar Poland.



Mideast Analysis

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Rhetoric and reality

Lofty rhetoric is playing second fiddle to harsh reality in American arms sales policy.

The Bush administration mouths pieties about curbing the arms race in the Middle East, but blithely accelerates the transfer of weaponry to the region, the single largest arms market in the Third World for nearly the past decade.

As the dust of the 1991 Gulf War settled, U.S. President George Bush told Congress: "It would be tragic if the nations of the Middle East... were now... to embark on a new arms race."

But within weeks, Washington performed a startling volte-face. Bush unveiled a plan to use funds from the Export-Import Bank, a government institution that promotes exports, to subsidize foreign military sales. Secretary of Defence Dick Cheney declared that the United States would sell more, not less, arms to the Middle East.

In May, Bush announced a Middle East arms control initiative, aimed at "halting the proliferation of conventional and unconventional weapons" there. Within a week, however, the administration announced further sales to Israel and the United Arab Emirates. And in July, Bush disclosed plans to sell about $7 billion worth of weaponry to 13 nations, including Saudi Arabia, Oman and Turkey, over the next few years.

The fact of the matter is that the United States has surpassed the former Soviet Union as the biggest arms supplier to the Third World in general and to the Middle East in particular.

In a declassified report, the Central Intelligence Agency said that, in 1991, the United States was the preeminent exporter of arms to the Middle East, with sales of $4.4 billion. Trailing was Britain ($3.5 billion), the ex-Soviet Union ($2.5 billion), France ($1.5 billion) and China ($300 million).

According to the Congressional Research Service, an adjunct of the Library of Congress, the United States provided 36 percent of all conventional weapons sold to the Middle East from 1987 to 1990, compared to 16 percent from 1983 to 1986.

Saudi Arabia is Washington's best customer. Since the Gulf War, the Saudis have asked for almost $20 billion in U.S. arms. But the United States has also signed substantial deals with Israel and Egypt, both of which are recipients of U.S. military aid.

It's clear that the Middle East arms race is not slowing down, despite Washington's theoretical opposition and the convening of two international arms control conferences.

In July 1991, in Paris, the United States, Britain, France, China and the Soviet Union agreed to develop guidelines and mechanisms to restrict arms sales. However, given the Arab-Israeli conflict and Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, there was a recognition that Middle East nations have a legitimate right to self-defence. Not surprisingly, at an arms control conference in Washington last May, the world's five largest suppliers failed to reach agreement on how to implement the Bush administration's year-old initiative to limit conventional weapon sales to the Middle East.

Reginald Bartholomew, the U.S. under-secretary of state for international security, claims that arms sales promote stability by deterring aggression and by encouraging regional co-operation.

He neglected to mention that a key component of the recession-bound American economy, the defence industry, is dependent on arms exports.

Since the end of the Cold War, thousands of workers in military production plants have been laid off due to declining orders. In an effort to arrest this trend, a number of manufacturers have mounted elaborate public relations campaigns.

The St. Louis-based McDonnell Douglas Corp., for example, contended that upwards of 40,000 jobs nation-wide would be lost if the United States rejected a Saudi request for 72 advanced F-15 fighter planes, a sale the pro-Israel community opposed.

The appeal did not fall on deaf ears. The editor of the *St. Louis Jewish Light* came out in favor of the proposed sale. And last month, Bush gave the multi-billion dollar deal his blessing.

So much for arms control.

Screen wars, Israeli style

By NECHEMIA MEYERS

Almost three-quarters of Israeli movie houses screen films on Friday night, much to the distress of Orthodox elements.

Such elements — which feel that public entertainment on the Sabbath undermines the Jewish character of the Jewish state — have been fighting a fierce rearguard battle against the screenings, most recently in the coastal town of Ashkelon, south of Tel Aviv.

There, until now, cinemas have not operated on the eve of the Sabbath, but the management of a new mall has announced that its complex of theatres will be open on Friday night. Having failed to force a municipal ban on the screenings, Orthodox rabbis have called on their adherents to boycott all the shops in the mall "because of its decision to brutally trample upon our most sacred values."

Boycott and political pressure have sometimes worked, as is the case in my own town of Rehovot. Most often, however, they have not, even in Orthodox strongholds like Jerusalem.

In the summer of 1986, when Sabbath screenings in the Holy City first became a public issue, not a single Jerusalem cinema operated on Friday night. Now 51 percent of them do.

The changeover in Tel Aviv and Haifa is hardly less dramatic. Whereas six years ago only a limited number of movie houses there were open on the eve of the Sabbath, today just a single cinema remains dark in each one.

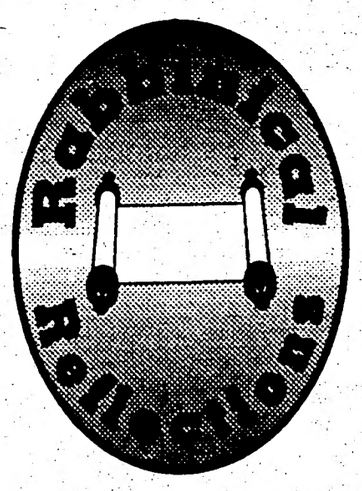
As might be expected, a large percentage of Friday evening movie fans are teenagers, though their parents, in many cases, would prefer that they stayed home in order to avoid the danger of Friday night accidents.

Such accidents are primarily the fault of the 20,000 youngsters who are out on the road that evening, driving either their family car or, if they have rich and indulgent parents, one of their own. Not all the kids, of course, are reckless, but many, anxious to impress their friends, will disregard the speed limit, cross from one lane to another without warning, take corners on two wheels and otherwise flirt with death.

Efforts are constantly being made to curb this phenomenon. For example, people receiving their first license must, for two full years, carry a little yellow sign on their car's back windshield which proclaims: "new driver." And, in addition, teenagers as a whole are barred from the roads between 1:00 and 5:00 a.m.

Yet the fact remains — an appalling 45 percent of all Friday night accidents are caused by reckless kids.

Religious Israelis are apt to say, "I told you so," and to point out that their own children are not numbered among the victims of this motorized slaughter. Such preaching, however, clearly doesn't affect the attitude of Israel's secular majority. They go on demanding that movie houses and other places of entertainment be open on Friday night, and, to an ever increasing extent, they are getting their way.



By RABBI JOSEPH KELMAN

One of the interesting challenges of a rabbi in his role as a teacher is to make sure congregants know the difference between the necessary and unnecessary in the observance of the rituals, laws and customs in the cycle of Jewish life. So often the real purpose of the event, be it happy or sad, bar mitzvah or shiva, is lost or misunderstood by the desire to keep up with the new fashions or "traditions" that are irrelevant and which can even distort the essence of the observance.

A bar mitzvah is certainly a major milestone in the Jewish family. Although it should not be an end in itself, rightfully planned and celebrated it can be a good force for the survival and perpetuation of Jewish life in North America. Major synagogues in Toronto permit bar mitzvot on Shabbat morning only if the child has been in attendance in a bona fide day or Hebrew school, although obviously bar mitzvot can be celebrated any time the Torah is read. Unfortunately, often the planning beforehand and the party itself gives the bar mitzvah celebrant the wrong message and does not lead to further commitment to Jewish education and synagogue attendance.

It has been a long-standing tradition for Jews to invite relatives and friends to celebrate with them in what is called "the seudat mitzvah." Indeed the main emphasis today should still be on the meal itself. However, many families spend months planning and finding ways, over and above the dinner itself, to make their parties unique, a grandiose event. This "one upmanship" often accompanied by the deafening sounds of the orchestra and other forms of glitz do not add to the real purpose of the event. Bar mitzvah celebrations should contain divrei Torah, especially by the bar mitzvah boy, to indicate that he fully comprehends the Torah portion and the importance of doing mitzvot now that he is officially an adult. It can also indicate that the bar mitzvah boy will continue his studies. Instead the main concern of parents seems to be what impression the party is going to have upon relatives and guests rather than on the bar mitzvah boy and his friends. This is a good example of the non-essential taking precedence over the real message of the bar mitzvah day.

What has been said about bar mitzvahs also applies to bat mitzvah celebrations, with a few variations.

There is no greater mitzvah than making and participating in wedding festivities. However, we should remember that the ceremony is called "Kiddushin" — sanctification. Having a non-kosher meal afterwards is an immediate contradiction of the fact that the marriage is sanctified with the words "in keeping with the laws of Moshe and Israel," which include kashruth. Furthermore, in addition to singing and dancing, speeches should also reflect the significance, beauty of marriage. Far too often relatives and friends have a distorted sense of humor and in their speeches relate off-color stories with the wrong type of innuendoes.

Jewish people generally are quite meticulous in observing the mourning laws as well as in visiting mourners. However, in recent years non-essential customs have crept in. There are far too many cases where mourners, often at the suggestions of well-meaning but wrong advisors, have not made a minyan in the morning. This is because they think it must be followed by breakfast, a task, which they may not want to do or, perhaps, there is no one to prepare it. Hence, an essential aspect of shiva is neglected because of a mistaken notion about a supposedly new, wrong tradition. Your own rabbi can guide you in the correct and necessary rituals and laws.

Many people do not know what to say in a shiva house. It is better to remain silent than try to distract the mourners by irrelevant conversation about current events. Mourners appreciate hearing words about the deceased and perhaps learn something new about their loved ones which they did not know. I have often suggested that it would be meaningful also to pay "shiva calls" a month or two later. The widow or child would certainly appreciate a ringing doorbell or a friendly telephone call.

The life cycle begins with a brit for a son and a baby-naming for a daughter. The brit can take place in the synagogue or at home. Think carefully of names. A baby girl can only be named in the synagogue and this should be done within 30 days of birth.

The entire life cycle for the Jewish family provides wonderful opportunities, most of the time joyous ones, to show Judaism as a religion that can enhance and add meaning to special milestones. In addition, these serve to inspire greater understanding and commitment to our religion which has been the great strength enabling Jews to overcome adversity, look ahead to the future with faith and courage and appreciate the blessings of being able to observe our religious way of life, publicly and privately, in a free society.

(Rabbi Joseph Kelman is the spiritual leader of the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue and the immediate past president of the Toronto Board of Rabbis.)

New school plan unveiled

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

The Tel Aviv municipality is proposing to introduce a revolutionary education plan in which students would begin school at age 4 and be able to graduate high school by age 16.

Outlining the plan at a news conference last week, Shimshon Shoshani, director of the municipality's Education Department and former director-general of the national Education Ministry, stressed that the proposed reforms are only in the planning stage.

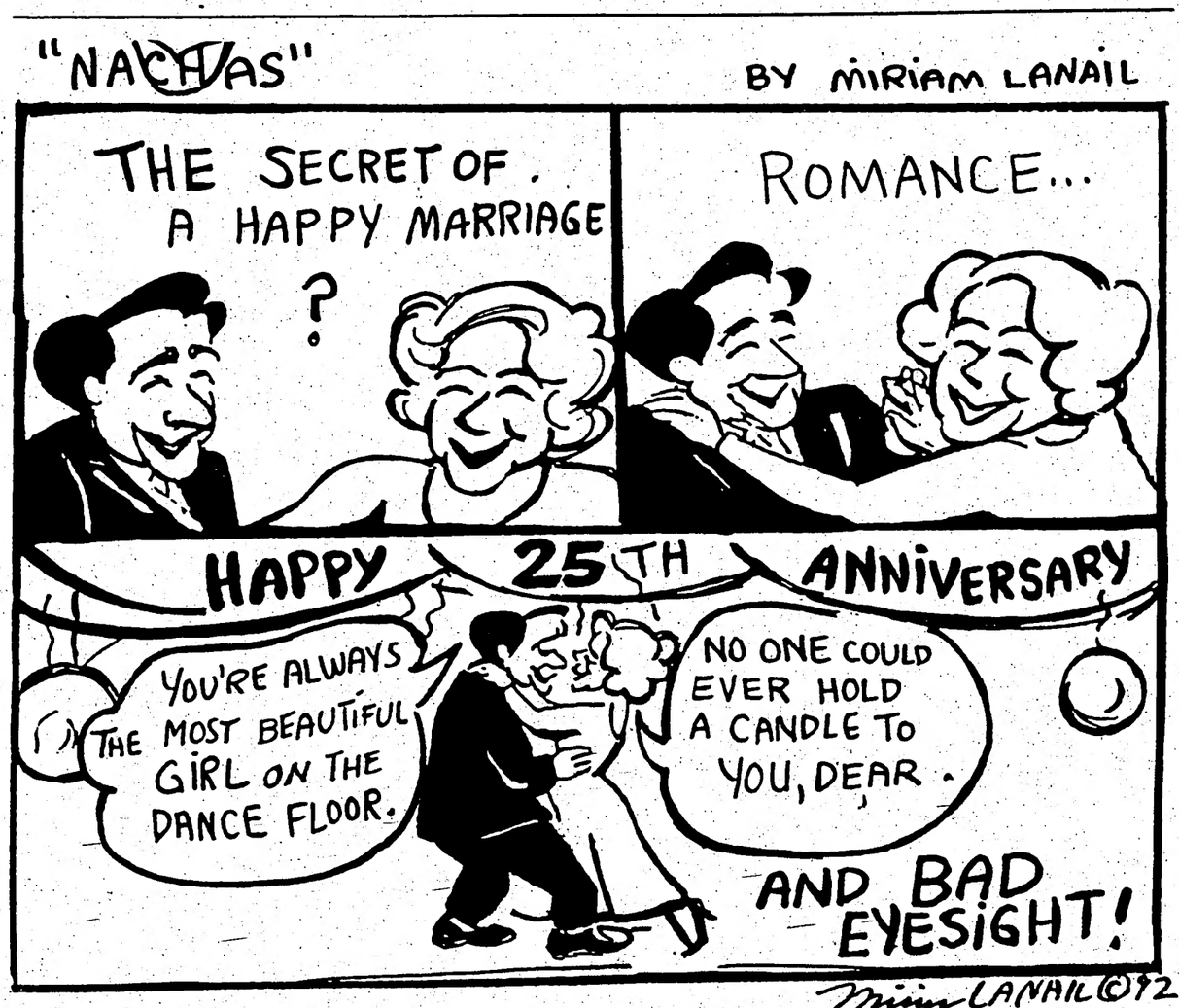
Approval by both the Education Ministry and the teachers will be required before the new plan can be put into operation next year.

Mayor Shlomo Lahat said that under the proposed plan, some schools would be granted total autonomy and institutions would be individually responsible for running themselves and managing their own financial affairs, within the city budget.

Teachers would be paid overtime, with a 13th month salary guaranteed. Parents would be able to choose which school their children attend, without restrictions as to area of residence.

Academic and technical schools would be combined, and pupils would be encouraged to study additional subjects, such as art, ballet and special interests, at outside institutions.

The proposed system would enable suitable students to start university studies before registering for their compulsory army service, which begins at age 18.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Organizations and People

Speakers at last week's UJA B&P dinner included (from left) Lorraine Sandler, Elizabeth Wolfe and Linda Silver Dranoff.

Women lack real power, lawyer tells UJA division

By FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

"In the last 10 years, women have not advanced as far as we might have expected," said Linda Silver Dranoff, keynote speaker at last week's 10th-anniversary dinner of the Business and Professional Women's Network (B & P) of United Jewish Appeal/Operation Exodus, held in honor of its founders at Adath Israel Congregation.

Silver Dranoff, a lawyer, author and columnist for *Chatelaine* magazine, used her own profession as an example of the difficulties women face. A British Columbia survey concluded that women in the legal profession face discrimination in hiring, remuneration, promotion and advancement as well as sexual harassment, Silver Dranoff said. They are leaving the profession because they find it too hard to balance their personal and professional lives.

"It's not much different for women in engineering, medicine, film and television, teaching, you name it," she said. "The world of work is still run according to the male model.

"We should not be so naive as to believe that men will share power to be fair or even to be perceived as fair. The main obstacle to women's advancement is lack of power."

Silver Dranoff spoke of "token women" who are promoted by men because the women consider themselves "exceptions" rather than examples of female talent. She warned that the successful exception is less likely to sustain long-term success and, working almost alone, she is "likely to be less accepted and supported within the power structure than the men are. She will not have the opportunity to create social change."

Even when progress is made, cautioned Silver Dranoff, "women cannot be complacent." Sometimes advances made are retracted when we aren't looking, she said.

Silver Dranoff exhorted women to "pull together for the benefit of all of us. We must use our voting power to vote out those who break their promises to women. Women should support women entrepreneurs, and buy goods and services from them. Vote for women's candidates. Women's organizations and charities should focus on child care and women's shelters and leave the diseases to other charities."

She also spoke out for structural changes such as employment equity regulations and mandatory programs concerning sexual discrimination. "Self-regulatory models have not worked," she said. "Would they let criminals be in charge of monitoring themselves, to ensure that they do not breeak the law? Yet they let whole industries monitor themselves on sexual discrimination issues."

Jewish women, who face double discrimination, have a double reason for sisterhood, Silver Dranoff said. She congratulated the women "who had the foresight and commitment" to form B & P 10 years ago, and reminded members that organizations like B & P can do much to help other women.

Charlene Linzon and Rosalind Lofsky, co-chairs of B & P, presented a plaque to founding member Elizabeth Wolfe, on behalf of all 11 founders.

The founding of B & P as an offshoot of the women's division was "a creative, innovative and important development," said Wolfe.

B & P has become a success story, combining fundraising with programming and serving as a network for Jewish professional women. Last year they raised $300,000, said Linzon, and donations this year, half-way through campaign, show a 17 percent overall increase.

Lorraine Sandler, co-chair, 1992 UJA Women's campaign, spoke of her trip to Russia this year where she learned first-hand the importance of UJA dollars in "the redemption of a people."

The 11 B & P founders honored were Annette Bearg, Gay Berger, Cynthia Chazan, Linda Kahn, Bruria Lindenberg, Glennie Lindenberg, Helen Redner, Gella Rothstein, Trudy Shecter, Elaine Todres and Elizabeth Wolfe.

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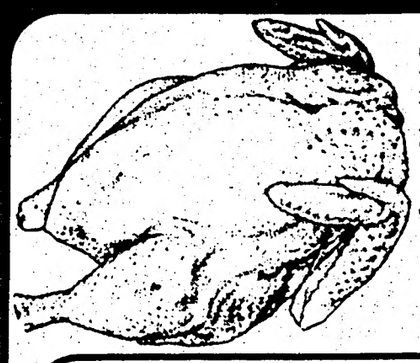

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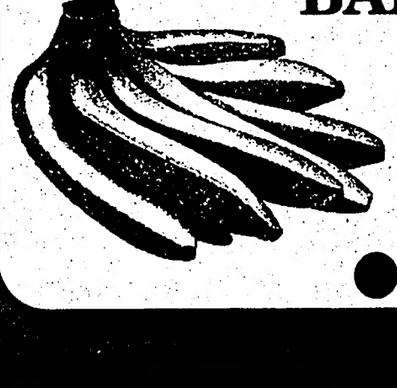

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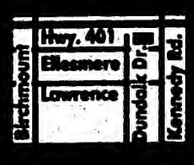

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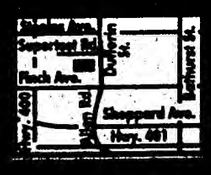

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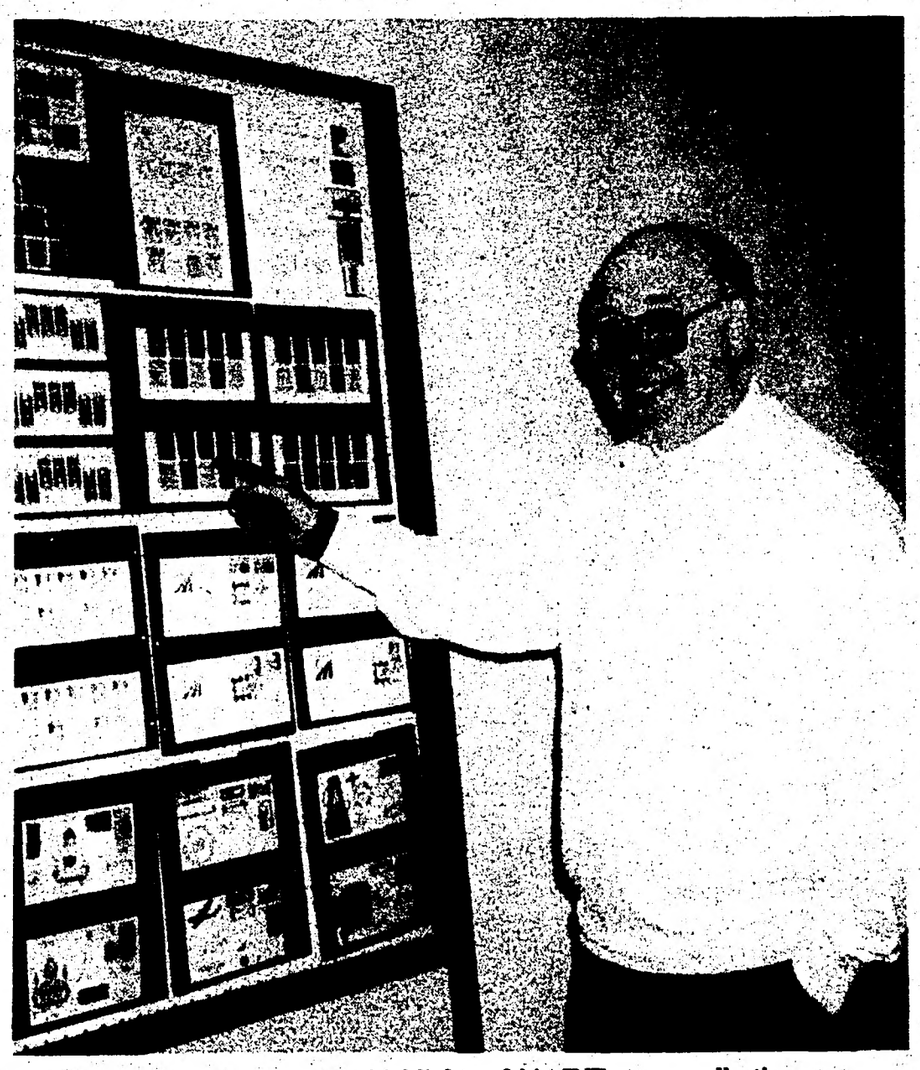


Al Dickstein points out highlights of his JNF stamp collection.

Stamp exhibition reveals Jewish, Israeli history

By FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

Jewish history — in small, neat doses — was the order of the day at a recent stamp show held at the Jewish Community Centre on Bathurst Street.

The annual event, put on by CAFIP (Canadian Association for Israeli Philately), featured a variety of stamps from all over the world and also included sports cards featuring Jewish athletes and actors. CAFIP, which is part of the international Society of Israeli Philatelists, serves as an umbrella organization for collectors of Jewish sports cards.

Probably the most unusual display, considering the context, was Hartley Garshowitz' collection of anti-Semitic stamps, many from Arab countries, some dating back to World War II Europe. "I think it's important for somebody to put it together and show what's out there," says Garshowitz.

After seeing Garshowitz' collection, it was heartening to see Stanley Davis' collection of stamps depicting synagogues, especially the 1988 Austrian issue marking the 50th anniversary of Kristallnacht showing a synagogue in flames, with the words "Never forget" inscribed in Hebrew, English and German. Davis' collection encompasses synagogue stamps from over a dozen countries, including India, Luxembourg and Italy.

Another unusual display was Henry Stern's collection of Israeli "errors," including sheets of stamps with perforations in the wrong place and stamps that were printed inaccurately or incompletely.

Al Dickstein, president of CAFIP, whose extensive Jewish National Fund stamp collection was also on display, is a confirmed and enthusiastic philatelist, but he mentioned that even non-collectors are welcome to join the group.

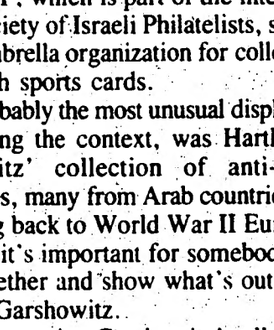
Dickstein enjoys poking around at stamp shows. "Every now and then there's a little bonanza," he says. "It can be an expensive hobby, but it doesn't have to be."

Dickstein, who is a stockbroker and vice-president of Wood Gundy Inc., finds philately "a very fascinating way to relax."

CAFIP, which began with seven people in 1952, has grown to over 60 members in Toronto. Meetings, which are held monthly at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, feature guest speakers as well as individual members who present parts of their collections. "It's sort of like show and tell at every meeting," says Dickstein.

CAFIP's members are particularly interested in Judaica and Israeli philately, which, Dickstein is quick to point out, includes the years before Israel became a state in 1948. "The whole history of the state is depicted in one way or another in many facets of stamps," he says. The first JNF stamp, for example, was issued in 1901.

For further information on CAFIP, call Al Dickstein at (416) 594-7887 or Hartley Garshowitz at (416) 665-3555.



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All meetings will begin with a brief presentation on the issues, followed by an informal discussion. Meetings will run from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

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FEDERATION NEWS

Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto | Community Planning and Allocations Committee | United Jewish Appeal/Operation Exodus

Jewish Federation stands and delivers in the face of tough economic times

Every Jew is of the utmost importance," says Sheila Engel, Community Planning and Allocations chairman. CP&A is the primary planning body of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto.

"I find this position more challenging because of the

Sheila Engel

times we are now facing," states Engel. "The Federation has the responsibility to carry on, no matter what. We don't have the luxury of waiting out these times."

Engel points to the success of the United Jewish Appeal/Operation Exodus campaign as a sign that the community cares about its own.

There is ongoing concern for every segment of the community, from children to the elderly.and also a great continuing concern with bringing the unaffiliated into the fold.

"There is a need for the Federation to be reactive and able to initiate and anticipate issues that affect our Jewish community," stresses Engel.

The Federation can only do as well as its fund raising campaign, United Jewish Appeal/Operation Exodus, she points out, noting, "Most people are well-intentioned, but it has to be backed up with cheques."

Although the current UJA/Operation Exodus campaign has been seeing success in its dramatic increase over last year at this time, Engel is concerned about what lies ahead. With the continuing recession, there are more Jews in the community with needs. And those Jews are likely to come to the Federation's affiliated agencies seeking assistance.

It goes beyond greater Toronto: The Federation provides services for Jews nationally, internationally and, of course, in Israel. Dollars raised from Jews in Toronto directly assist Operation Exodus, which is bringing thousands of Jews to Israel from the former Soviet Union, including its Muslim republics. Those dollars are used within the arena of economic development in Israel, to ensure that new immigrants can contribute to Israel's economy by finding suitable jobs. The same dollars are being used to cover the debt from last year's heroic Operation Solomon airlift, in which 14,000 Ethiopian Jews were taken out of Ethiopia aboard cargo planes during a 36-hour period.

"From a Federation perspective, we work from every end to collect the money and allocate it responsibly," says Engel. "In good times, everything is a priority. But now, everyone must work harder with less to work with." ❑

The Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto offers a wide range of services within the Jewish community, from scholarships for Jewish education to financial assistance for families and even nourishing meals.

'Hot topics' are investigated by Federation sub-committee

There are a number of "hot topics" that confront the Jewish community. They are articulated at meetings of the social planning and allocations committee of CPAC.

According to Barry Tissenbaum, chairman of the SP&A, among the hot topics are: the handling of disabled students in the day schools; trying to develop an AIDS policy; hospice care; Jewish continuity; and Jewish singles.

What will the future hold for disabled children who need access to day schools? That ques-

Barry Tissenbaum

tion is being explored by senior representatives from the Board of Jewish Education who are sitting at the table with the Federation's social planning committee in order to hammer out some recommendations, says Tissenbaum.

AIDS is being explored from a Jewish perspective. A policy is being developed that will deal with the issue of employees who are living with AIDS.

On the grander scale, Jewish support for AIDS sufferers is being closely examined. Tissenbaum points out that Temple Holy Blossom has initiated some innovative programs for AIDS sufferers and their loved ones.

"Regarding Jewish singles, we are looking at the whole aspect of how singles are being dealt with from the community perspective," explains Tissenbaum. "There are a number of programs in place that have been set up by different agencies. The community wants to know for sure that it's getting the right bang for its buck or if the benefits are worthwhile."

Because Jewish singles are also considered to be people who may marry and have families in the future, Tissenbaum is quick to point out that, as an issue, singles fall under the rubric of Jewish continuity and are also being examined as such.

B'nai Brith Youth Organization has been going through the stressful process of looking for a new home. BBYO had always attracted non-affiliated youth, and this fact was seen as an opportunity by the Federation. Following months of discussion, the Federation is supporting BBYO in its relocation to the Jewish Community Centre.

"We're very conscious of continuing to look at social issues that are affecting our community," Tissenbaum continues. "We see gaps in service and we have to deal with that.

"But we also see opportunities, like BBYO, and we're very conscious to keep at the forefront of what's going on."

The biggest factor is funds, he says. Social agencies under the Federation's purview have never been more stretched than they are now.

Budgets that have always held steady have been cut back both from the Federation and from United Way, which allocates approximately 8 percent of its budget to Federation affiliates.

"We are having to make decisions and set priorities. The economic realities are what we have to deal with.

"One of our biggest areas is supplementary assistance to the poor. The dollars keep mounting. More people are coming with needs. We view that as a high priority. We try to get funds to allocate to the poor, but it's going to reach a breaking point.

Not everyone is going to get the support they need."

And despite the gloomy economic times, the Federation will continue to maintain its commitment to quality Jewish life. ❑

What is the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto?

THE FEDERATION is so many things to so many people. The Federation represents a multitude of services and agencies that are intricately connected. But they all have one thing in common: They see to the needs of the local Jewish community and they are, in return, supported by that community.

A number of committees and task forces examine issues that face the Jewish community.

For example, did you know that within the organized Jewish community there is an AIDS policy committee at work, framing policies regarding people who are living with AIDS?

Or that there is a task force on Jewish singles that is collecting data on unmarried people between the ages of 18 and 45?

Jewish education, this community's incredible success story, is in the midst of being examined and evaluated. The results of the commission's work will impact upon thousands of families who want Jewish education for their children. It will help determine the direction of Jewish education in the future.

Volunteers representing all walks of life within Toronto's Jewish community gather for meetings of the community planning and allocations committee and its committees to discuss issues concerning the Jewish community.

DOLLARS AND SENSE: BUDGET SETS PRIORITIES

FOR THE SECOND year in a row, the Federation has capped its budget at the same amount as the previous year.

According to Alan Sandler, chairman of the planning & allocations vice committee, every one of the social agencies has more pressures. The demands have grown.. The increased needs have necessitated more case workers for Jewish Family and Child Service.

"People requiring subsidies for camps and the open-ended assistance program (for cases living below the poverty level) have increased from 230 families to over 500," Sandler explains.

There is a misconception that the Federation funds the Jewish day schools. "We fund scholarships for those families who can't meet the full fee requirements. Many are no longer full-fee payers because of economy."

Two aspects are considered when deciding the budget: social needs and the belief in Jewish education. Some schools have gone into debt because of the severity of the situation.

"They have no more to give. How are you able to combat this? We are faced with impossible decisions -- what program to reduce or shrink, what to keep alive? We can't afford to run deficits. So where do we get the funds from?

"The public has to understand that we are always working one campaign behind. Corporations that are no longer there can no longer meet their UJA pledges. This has an impact on cash flow," Sandler explains.

Despite the economy and the budget cuts, each agency meets with its corresponding Federation sub-committee so that the Federation is kept up to date on how that agency is servicing its client base.

On the brighter side, Sandler points out that virtually all the agencies continue to serve the community.

But elder services have been impacted, he stresses.

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living, for example, could be expanded to double its size to accommodate its members, but there are no funds for any expansion.

The Federation has made specific emergency increases, particularly in areas of youth and continuity.

"This is a very important program," he stresses. "And we were able to find more money for integration programs and supplemental programs that will be expanded to as many families as need it.

"With all the negatives that come out of the economy, we are coping. The organizations are coping. The key is that UJA dollars have to keep coming in." ❑

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What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

DEADLINE REMINDER

The deadline for What's New and About People is Thursday, two weeks prior to publication date (i.e. Thursday, Nov. 5, is deadline for Nov. 19 issue, and Thursday, Nov. 12, is deadline for Nov. 26 issue). I am at my desk on Thursdays only to receive your calls and sort my mail.

Thursday, Nov. 5

SHINONOME CHOIR OF JAPAN

Temple Sinai Congregation invites you to a concert by Beit Shalom Shinonome Choir of Japan in a program of Japanese and Jewish music. The time is 8 p.m. at the temple. Free admission with ticket. Complimentary tickets (maximum four per person) may be picked up at the temple, Jewish Community Centre North Y and Bloor Y branches and Israel's Judaica Centre.

MOVIE REVIEW

Beth Tzedec Sisterhood presents **Heather Castle**, who will give a critique on the movie *Nasty Girls* at 7:30 p.m. in the Paul & Ted Orenstein Mezzanine Hall. Members $5, guests $7.

Friday, Nov. 6

MUSICAL PROGRAM

Pianist **Stella Rudolph** will appear at Lincoln Place, 429 Walmer Rd., at 2 p.m. in a program of dance Jewish, Hebrew and sing-along music.

Saturday, Nov. 7

LUNCH AND LEARN

Lunch and Learn together with **Rabbi Irvin Brandwein** at Beth Sholom Synagogue, following Shabbat services. For reservations, call the synagogue office at 783-6103.

KEHILLAT AHAVAT HESED

Kehillat Ahavat Hesed announces that **Rabbi Neal Rose** of the Winnipeg Chavurah, professor of religious studies, will conduct a Seudah Shlisit teaching session to be followed by a pot luck Seudah Shlisit meal. For location and details, call 733-9848.

FUN AUCTION

Join in a pot-pourri of merchandise, fun and refreshments at Queen City chapter, B'nai Brith Women of Canada's, annual Fun Auction at 8 p.m. at Workmen's Circle Hall, 471 Lawrence Ave. W. Everyone is welcome. Tickets are $5 at the door and include door prizes and refreshments.

Sunday, Nov. 8

ECO-MORALITY

Eco-Morality — is this a problem with which Jews have to concern themselves? What pressures does Judaism place on society, business, private individuals? **Rabbi Mordechai Becher**, senior lecturer, Ohr Somayach/JEP Thornhill, will give an informed Jewish perspective on this contemporary subject at a lecture co-sponsored with Kehillat Shaarei Torah at 8:30 p.m. at the synagogue, 2640 Bayview Ave. For information, call 886-5730.

THE TEMPLE IN JERUSALEM

The Temple in Jerusalem—History, Construction and Meaning is the topic architect **Richard Idels** will address at the Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Brotherhood breakfast meeting at 9:15. Everyone is welcome. Breakfast is $3.

THE FILM KORCHAK

As part of Holocaust Education Week, the Secular Jewish Association, jointly with the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto, is presenting *Korchak*, a feature film by Polish director **Andrzej Wajda**. Discussion follows. The time is 2 p.m. at Film House, 424 Adelaide St. E. Seating is limited. To reserve, call 491-7361.

CANADIAN FRIENDS OF PEACE NOW

Noted military leader and peace camp veteran **Meir Pa'il** will be speaking at OISE, 252 Bloor St. W. at 7:30 p.m. This event, sponsored by Canadian Friends of Peace Now, is open to the public and there is no charge.

MEN'S HEALTH ISSUES

Holy Blossom Temple Brotherhood Breakfast Club series on Men's Health Issues gets off to a start with **Dr. Jerald Bain** discussing Male Menopause. Service is at 9 a.m., breakfast at 9:30.

SHAAREI TEFILLAH SISTERHOOD

Shaarei Tefillah Sisterhood will view a collection of glass sculptures and Judaica on a walking tour with **Joseph Markovic**. Members who have registered will leave Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue at 9:30 a.m. by bus to the Richmond Hill location of this museum. For more information, call **Sharon** at 787-1631.

DARK LULLABIES

Beach Hebrew Institute, 109 Kenilworth Ave., as part of Holocaust Education Week, is presenting the film, *Dark Lullabies* at 2:30 p.m. Call 694-7942 for more information.

1992 AMERICAN ELECTION

Hillel Children's Workshop adult discussion topic is Jewish Influences in the 1992 American Presidential Election with **Prof. Bill Berman**, professor of history, University of Toronto. Time is 10:45 a.m. in Room 523 of New College, 40 Willcocks St. The public is welcome. For further information, contact **Bob Katz** at 929-3537.

SHAAREI SHOMAYIM BROTHERHOOD

At Shaarei Shomayim Brotherhood's breakfast meeting, **Rabbi Yitzchak Witty**, Board of Jewish Education, will speak on The Mahyseh as a Vehicle of Jewish Communication. Services are at 9 a.m., breakfast at 9:30.

STRIKE OUT AGAINST LEUKEMIA

Leukemia Research Fund's annual Bowlathon will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Playtime Bowl, 33 Samor Rd. (10-pin only). League play (5 or 10-pin) may take place at any location during the week of Nov. 8. Sponsor sheets are available at the LRF office. Call 638-8522 for information.

Monday, Nov. 9

OMBUDSMAN OF ONTARIO

The Christian-Jewish Dialogue of Toronto and Holocaust Remembrance Committee of Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto present **Roberta Jamieson**, ombudsman of Ontario, speaking on Red Flags and Warning Signals: a critical look at current social problems, which, if not addressed and dealt with could escalate. The time is 7:30 p.m. at the Barbara Frum Library, 20 Covington Rd. Admission is free. For further information, call 941-9356.

SISTERHOOD OPENING MEETING

Beth Jacob V'Anshe Drildz Sisterhood invites you to the opening meeting at 8 p.m. at 147 Overbrook Pl. Agenda includes presentation of the first of a study series on resources available to the Jewish community. Leading off is **Brenda Moddel** on Learning the EMETT Strategies for a Positive Torah Attiude.

Tuesday, Nov. 10

BLACK-JEWISH RELATIONS

Black-Jewish Relations: Before and After Martin Luther King will be discussed by **Alan Lee Keyes** at the second lecture in the series sponsored by New Leadership Toronto chapter, Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University, in co-operation with the Institute for Jewish Learning, at 7:45 p.m. at Beth Tikvah Synagogue. Individual ticket price is $22, students $15.

PATRICK BUCHANAN TO SPEAK

enRoute Universal Speakers luncheon series for senior business executives continues with **Patrick Buchanan** discussing The United States Election: A Conservative View from Washington. To reserve your corporate table, call **Jim Keating** at 926-7595.

THE HOLOCAUST:A MUSICAL LEGACY

The Barbara Frum Library, 20 Covington Rd., presents musicologist **Naomi Bell** in a lecture-recital at 7 p.m. The Holocaust: A Musical Legacy features a wide selection of Holocaust songs, ranging from lullabies and lovesongs to songs of heroism and resistance. For information and preregistration, phone 395-5440.

THE BIRTH OF KABBALAH

Sepharad '92 at Holy Blossom Temple continues at 8 p.m. with **Rabbi Lawrence Englander** speaking on Mysticism on Spanish Soil: The Birth of Kabbalah, giving examples of Prophetic and Speculative Kabbalah and discussing how they affect Jewish practice today. Charge is $5 members, $8 non-members.

CONVENIENCE MEALS

The Kosher Cooking School presents a session on Convenience Meals at 8 p.m. at Shaarei Tefillah Congregation. The fee is $15. For information, call 635-9550.

T'NACH STUDY GROUP

The T'nach Study Group will focus on Book of Kings I, Chapter VIII, Verses 1-30 with **Rabbi Sheldon Steinberg** at 8:15 p.m. at Associated Hebrew Schools, 3630 Bathurst St.

DONWAY PLACE LECTURE

Rose Reisman, author of *Rose Reisman Brings Home Pasta Dishes* is guest speaker at Donway Place, 8 the Donway E., Don Mills, at 8 p.m. Admission is free but seating is limited. For further information and reservations, call **Marlene White** at 785-1511.

PARENTS OF ASTHMATIC CHILDREN

Parents of Asthmatic Children general meeting features **Dr. Y. Chua**, director, asthma unit, Hugh McMillan Rehabilitation Centre, speaking on Dealing with Asthma in the Schools. The time is 8 p.m. at the centre, 350 Rumsey Rd., Room 1-106. For information, call **Elaine Rose** at 881-8416 or **Joan Naert** at 292-6335.

Wednesday, Nov. 11

THE QUEST FOR PEACE IN ISRAEL

The Quest for Peace in Israel is the subject of a public address by **Ron Nachman**, MK, mayor of Ariel, minister of Knesset finance and legislative committees, vice-president of the Zionist Council of Israel, taking place at 8 p.m. at the Zionist Centre, 788 Marlee Ave. Co-sponsors are Toronto Zionist Council and Herut-Likud. The community is invited and admission is free. Call 781-3571 for further information.

ACTIVITY DAY

At the Beth Sholom Mildred Arnoff Memorial Hebrew School Sukkot Round Robin, an activity day for students and parents, Cara Zacks decorates the sukkah.

ISRAEL IN THE NEW WORLD ORDER

The second lecture in Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue's series on The Place of Israel in the New World Order with **Prof. Morton Manilla** will deal with The European Community and the Middle East. The time is 8 p.m. at the synagogue. Everyone is welcome.

LUNCH AND LEARN

The Holy Blossom Temple Lunch and Learn in Retirement Group features a talk on Armistice Day Through the Eyes of a Jewish Veteran with **Charles King**, who served with the Princess Patricia Canadian Light Infantry during World War II. The group meets at noon. Bring your lunch. Coffee, tea and cookies will be served. There is a $1 tea-money charge. For information, call **Deborah** at 789-3291.

THE MUSIC BOX

In rememberance of the Holocaust, Overbrook Cultural Club is screening the film *The Music Box* with **Jessica Lange** at 2 p.m. at 12 Heaton St. (Lodzer Centre) side entrance. Members free, non-members $1. For further information, call **Millie Herzog** at 221-7207.

POMEGRANATE GUILD

The Pomegranate Guild of Judaic Needlework meeting is 8 p.m. at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. The group will be working on "the Baycrest project". This is an opportunity to utilize your needlework skills or learn new ones in a collaborative effort which will ultimately add beauty and joy to the lives of others. For information, call **Susan Ruben** at 861-7918.

THE REAL MESSIAH

Jew for Judaism series focuses on The Real Messiah and Why Jews Can't Belive in Jesus at 8 p.m. at the Albert J. Latner Jewish Public Library, 4600 Bathurst St. For information, call 789-2851.

Thursday, Nov. 12

LET'S TALK ABOUT HUMOR

Lillian Zack, facilitator of human relations and behavior, will speak on Let's Talk About Humor at Forest Hill Place at 2 p.m. Admission is free but seating is limited. Call **Marlene White** at 785-1511 for information and reservations.

ENDOMETRIOSIS SUPPORT GROUP

Endometriosis Support Group meeting is at 7 p.m. at York Central Hospital, 10 Trench St., Richmond Hill, south entrance. Call 764-5085 or 591-3963 for information.

And What Else Is New...

IRVING ABELLA TO SPEAK

National Council of Jewish Women of Canada, Toronto section, is pleased to have **Prof. Irving Abella**, president, Canadian Jewish Congress, speak on the topic Agenda for the Canadian Jewish Community—Outlook and Prospects on Tuesday, Nov. 17, at 8:30 p.m. at Council House, 4700 Bathurst St. Tickets are $5. Everyone is welcome.

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VOLUNTEERS FOR RESEARCH

The Rotman Research Institute of Baycrest Centre needs healthy adults of all ages to take part in ongoing research studies into a variety of functions such as memory, attention and language. There are no risks involved and all information will be kept strictly confidential. Testing times can be arranged to suit your schedule.

If you wish to volunteer or would like more information, call 789-5131 and ask for **Shemira Murji** at ext. 3145 or **Susan Watt** at ext. 3512.

CANADIAN YOUNG JUDAEA

Canadian Young Judaea hosted its annual mifgash at Camp Shalom in Gravenhurst recently. The theme of the weekend was Jewish Values and Israel. Attendance was rather overwhelming with 120 chanichim from different areas in Ontario, 14-18 years of age, gathering for this successful weekend. They all enjoyed a program of fun and sports conducted by the mazkira klalli, **Rebecca Glass**, as well as **David Eichler, Roni Felsen,** and **Jessica Feldman** together with national shaliach **Shmulik Levkovitz**.

LIGHTS, CAMERA, AUCTION

Aish HaTorah is inviting everyone to this year's Lights, Camera, Auction, starring Canadian actor **Harvey Atkin** as auctioneer. It features everything from a blue fox coat, diamond earings, original art and Judaica pieces to designer fashions, toys, home improvement and health and beauty services, plus lots of great items, door prizes and more!

The date is Saturday, Nov. 14, at 8 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue. Proceeds will go toward financing many of Aish HaTorah's educational programs.

CHARITY HOCKEY POOL

The first annual 1992/93 Baycrest Regular Season Hockey Draft is a charity hockey pool encompassing all of Metropolitan Toronto and is run by students. There are 14 students on the pool board, each of whom are required to sell approximately 100 tickets. The overall goal is to raise $10,000 for Baycrest Centre.

Participants choose his/her 25 player "dream team" from the National Hockey League regular season roster. Results are based on total points of the entrant's team. Each ticket costs $10. Thirty percent of gross proceeds are allocated to prize money with 70 percent going to Baycrest.

The idea was conceived by brothers **Gary Berman** and **Mark Berman**, who serve as chairman and president of the student board respectively. **Cary Sokalsky** is deputy chairman.

JEWISH HUMOR

Har Tikvah Congregation in Brampton, located at 9893 Torbram Rd., is sponsoring a talk by popular author/lecturer/humorist **Allan Gould** on The Nature of Jewish Humor. The time is 8 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 14. Everyone is welcome. For information, call 792-7598.

OHR SOMAYACH/JEP LECTURE

Ohr Somayach/JEP of Thornhill, 613 Clark Ave., is hosting a public lecture Saturday, Nov. 14, at 9 p.m. with noted author/speaker **Rabbi Ezriel Tauber** of Monsey, N.Y. Rabbi Tauber has written several books on subjects that are topical and enlightening. He deals with important philosophical and religious concepts and perspectives. For further information, call 886-5730.

CANCER COUNSELLING CENTRE

The Cancer Counselling centre is offering an intensive Group Counselling Program for persons with cancer, Nov. 9-13. This educational and therapeutic program uses the Simonton method of integrating mind and body in the healing process. For information, call the centre at 466-7121.

JF & CS WORKSHOPS

Jewish Family & Child Service is offering the following fall workshops— You and Your Aging Parents: The Sandwich Generation (aging and changing, realistic expectations and new coping strategies, begins Nov. 10); Adult Children Losing Parents (exploring and understanding grief process, participants will move to acceptance and growth, begins Nov. 11). For more information concerning fees and registration, call **Pat Lieberman** at 638-7800.

TEL-AIDE:JEWISH DISTRESS LINE

Tel-Aide: the Jewish Distress Line invites new callers to make use of the phone lines. It doesn't matter whether you're lonely, sad, confused about your medication, or aren't sure what to do. A specially trained volunteer will be glad to listen to you and help you through the day. Just take the phone and call 636-9610 most mornings, afternoons and early evenings. Your call will be treated in a confidential manner.

DYSLEXIA: WHAT IS IT REALLY?

A seminar for parents and professsionals on the topic Dyslexia: What Is It Really? will be conducted by **Deborah Chesnie Cooper**, educational psychologist, and **Merle Langbord Levine**, educational therapist, both of the Canadian Heritage School, 600 Eglinton Ave. E., Suite 301, on Tuesday, Nov. 18, 6:30-9 p.m. Reserve space by calling 322-6010.

at the JCC

The Jewish Community Centre North Y branch, 4588 Bathurst St., is holding a luncheon Tuesday, Nov. 10, at 12:30 p.m. featuring the JCC drama group, the Habima Players. For further information, contact **Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880, ext. 364.

As part of Holocaust Education Week, the Bloor Y branch, 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor) invites the community to a lecture entitled Children of Holocaust Survivors—Challenges and Obligations with **Elaine Todress**, deputy minister of culture and communications of Ontario. The date is Sunday, Nov. 8, at 11 a.m. Admission is free.

Hashomer Hatzair and the Bloor Y branch are bringing teen programming (Grades 7-9) to the downtown area every Thursday evening at 7 at the Bloor Y. A swimming party is arranged for Nov. 5. For more information, call **Phil** at 736-1339 or **Luni** at 924-6211.

for seniors

In observance of Holocaust Week, the **Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave., is presenting Songs of the Holocaust featuring the Habonim Children's Choir, Tuesday, Nov. 10, 7:30-8:30 p.m. An evening of Jewish humor entitled Lachn Iz Gezunt, with the comedy team **Alan Farkas** and **Michael Lebovic**, is set for Thursday, Nov. 12, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome and admission is free. Bingo is arranged for Sunday, Nov. 8, 1:30-3 p.m.

At the **Aluma Canadian Israeli Club** meeting Monday, Nov. 9, **Col. (Res.) Yacov Erez** will give a review (in Hebrew) of the military, financial and social situation in Israel. Question and answer period will follow. The time is 7:15 p.m. at 15 Hove St. (B'nai Brith Building). For information, call 782-9432 or 635-5604.

Earl Bales Seniors' Club activities include a dance Saturday, Nov. 7, 7-10 p.m.; dance with a live band in the Community Centre, Sunday, Nov. 8, 7:30-10:30 p.m.; movie *A Star Is Born*, Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2 p.m.; 5-pin bowling for members; local day trips for members ($5). For information, call 636-7856.

Taylor Place Health and Special Service Information Seminar on Tuesday, Nov. 10, focuses on Defensive Driving. The time is 11 a.m. to noon at 1 Overland Dr., Don Mills. Everyone is welcome. To reserve a place or for information, call 447-7244.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club upcoming events include a workshop on stress, low back pain, headaches and various other topics with **Dr. Michael Brickman**, chiropractor, Monday, Nov. 9, 1 p.m.; the second orientation and registration for the Israel Purim trip (March 1-22), Monday, Nov. 16, 1 p.m.; reservations are open for the Miami trip at Saxony, Shore and Crown hotels. For information on activities and trips, call **Lena** at 785-5773 or **Ruth** at 224-5923. Remember the Golden Book to mark special occasions. Your donations go to Laniado Hospital in Israel. Call **Dorothy Bloomfield** at 787-1526.

Sunshine Travel Group Plus 50 is going to Stage West to see *The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas* Nov. 25. Also, registration is open for the Florida trip leaving Jan. 12 for four, six, seven and eight weeks at the Colonial Inn. For information, call **Sylvia** at 730-0503.

Young at Heart Seniors trip to Florida for one or two months offers the choice of two hotels—Seabrook in Surfside for $1,830 Canadian funds, or Marco Polo for $2,220.25 which includes everything. Everyone is welcome. Partners available. Call **Helen** at 635-6343.

Travel Club is going on a weekend trip Dec. 5 to take in two concerts, **Barbara Mandell** and **Jim Nabors**. Call **Bernice** at 633-7034 or **Edith** at 638-3652.

LZA Senior Citizens Club takes Miami registration Wednesdays 10 a.m. to noon at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave. The annual Chanukah party is Sunday, Dec. 13, at the centre with **Phil Gold** and his orchestra. Tickets available from **Joe Isenman**. Discussion Group meets Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and Ladies Dance Group Tuesdays at 1 p.m. The next luncheon meeting is Wednesday, Nov. 18, at the centre.

Sunrise Group is arranging New Year's in California Dec. 28-Jan. 7 featuring Rose Bowl Parade; Miami for one month at Sassoun Hotel for $1,700 everything included; Egypt, four-night Nile cruise, back to Cairo, then coach to Israel, April 18-May 3. Call **Esther** 932-2534 or **Manny** at 633-7463.

JCC North Y branch **Senior Adult Services** Miami vacation at Sans Souci Resort Hotel Jan. 12-Feb. 2 (additional weeks available). Call **Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880, ext. 364.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

The centre has produced an 'easy to read' 1993 wall calendar with information on government benefits and community resources for older adults. It is in simple language with large print in an attractive format. Funded by Seniors' Independence Program Health and Welfare Canada, the calendar is also available in Russian. Calendars are free but there is a small charge for bulk orders to cover mailing costs. Call **Sheila Zane** at 225-2112 for information.

Etrog, an Israeli cultural club for Hebrew speaking older adults, meets every Wednesday at 7 p.m. For information, call **Anna** at 225-2112.

Also, the Hebrew choir gets together every second Friday at noon.

A reminder that the Miami trip offers the choice of five hotels— Colonial Inn, Marco Polo, Waikiki, Traymore and Tarleton. Call **Barbara Zigler** at 225-2112 for package details.

About People

A 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Celebrating their 50th anniversary recently, **Harry and Martha Cohen** have requested that all donations go to Amal scholarships. Long active in the Toronto community, Harry is chairman of Jerusalem branch, Farband Labor Zionist, and is also a member of Leonard Mayzel Lodge of B'nai Brith. The Cohens are members of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue.

The anniversary was celebrated at a dinner party for family and friends at the home of brother and sister-in-law **Sidney and Shirley Cohen** and attended by children **Mel and Ann Cohen** of Denver, and their children **Stephanie** and **Erin**; **Donna and Art Siegel** of Florida with daughter **Carol** and her husband **Michael** (other daughter **Laurel** is at university and was unable to come); and Torontonians **Richard and Evelyn Cohen** and son **Daniel**, and **Terran and Randi Cohen** with **Jeremy**, **Brandon** and **Michael**.

TO BE HONORED

Morris Emer is being honored for his tireless devotion to health and children's issues by the Institute for the Prevention of Child Abuse at a special black tie gala evening Nov. 14 at Beth Sholom Synagogue.

Morris Emer

He is a founding president of the Canadian Children's Foundation, which assisted many children's charities across Canada. In 1983, the foundation, with the Ministry of Community and Social Services and a group of health care professionals, created the Ontario Centre for the Prevention of Child Abuse which subsequently became the Institute for the Prevention of Child Abuse.

Recently retired as chairman of the board of Northwestern General Hospital, Emer has also served as a member of the board of the C. M. Hinks Treatment Centre. He is also a charter member of Forest Hill Lion's Club. In 1988 the Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto and the Junior Board of Trade of Metropolitan Toronto presented Emer with the Gardiner Award as Citizen of the Year.

Emer is currently president and chairman of Pinetree Development Co. Ltd.

SUKKOT PROGRAM

Pictured at the Russian Integration Committee—Adath Israel Sisterhood Sukkot program are (from left) Marlene Sklar, chairman, Russian Integration Committee of Jewish Women's Federation; Rabbi Sheldon Korn, Adath Israel; Bess Starr, Adath Israel Sisterhood; Luda Felik, staff associate, Community Integration Program.

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Rescue of Ethiopian Jews viewed as incomplete task

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

Although the rescue of the Ethiopian Jewish community is now over, "it isn't really over yet," says the director of American Associates for Ethiopian Jewry, who spent a year in Addis Ababa helping to co-ordinate relief efforts for the more than 18,000 Ethiopian Jews and then accompanied them to Israel.

Glenn Stein was guest speaker at the recent B'nai Brith-State of Israel Bonds breakfast in honor of Hamilton lawyer, Stanley Tick.

Stein's speech was a poignant plea for help to make Ethiopian Jews productive citizens of Israel.

"It is not enough simply to dump bodies in Israel," he told guests at Beth Jacob Synagogue.

"The rescue isn't complete, until each and every one of the Ethiopians is a fully functioning member of Israeli society. And that," said Stein, "is going to be a long and difficult process."

Maintaining that it is "in the best interest of all Jews that the Ethiopians be absorbed right in this first generation," he cautioned that "if we make the mistake and don't invest in their education in programs that will make them fully fuctioning, they will become a generation of second class citizens. And then," Stein declared, "we will be paying for that for generations to come."

Every single dollar that Israel Bonds raised last year and is going to raise this year, goes towards programs for the absorption of Jewish immigrants, he said.

As an eyewitness to the rescue, Stein feels a certain responsibility to share the story because he wants people to know "what a wonderful place Israel is for every Jew in the world and how lucky we are to have the opportunity to support the State of Israel."

When Stein arrived in Addis Ababa a year before the rescue last May, "the Jews were just beginning to pour down from their traditional homes in the mountains of Gondar."

He told of their arrival in Addis Ababa, expecting to leave for Israel the next day; of the services being provided for them and finally, their sudden, dramatic flight and six hours preceding it, when they were being rushed to the airport and were literally running on the planes that stood ready for take-off with propellers already turning.

Stanley Tick

He also told of the long and difficult negotiations and what "an incredible thing" it had been for the United States to tell the Ethiopian government, just two weeks before the rescue and with discouraged Israeli negotiators "ready to give up," that the United States would be happy to help negotiate a peace treaty to end the 30-year civil war provided the authorities would "first let each and every one of the Ethiopian Jews go."

The rescue was due to pressure from American Jews, which was possible only, said Stein, because American, like Canadian Jewish communities, are organized.

By itself, he observed, Israel would never have been able to do it.

The presentation to Stanley Tick of the Lion of Judah award was made by former B'nai Brith Canada president, Bill Morris, who described the honoree as "a decent, sensitive, compassionate and empathetic human being — a mensch — who represents the quintessence of the B'nai Brith model of people helping people."

Responding, Tick said his commitment and involvement in the Jewish community go back a long way. He credited his parents with instilling in him the importance of family and being Jewish, and his father-in-law, the late Harold Minden, with teaching him the importance of commitment to worthwhile causes.

A past president of Federation, past president of Hamilton JNF and a former UJWF campaign chairman, Tick has been involved in numerous causes in both the Jewish and general community.

"If in some way, over the years, I too, have contributed to young people, especially my children, becoming involved and taking on positions of leadership in our community, I'll be very grateful," said the father of two sons and one married daughter.

The breakfast was chaired by father and son team, David and Geoff Burman.

Jewish groups receive grants

TORONTO —

Three Jewish groups were the recipients late last month of grants from the Ontario Settlement and Integration Program (OSIP), an arm of the Ministry of Citizenship.

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Jewish Immigrant Aid Services of Canada (JIAS) received $43,340, Jewish Family Services of Ottawa-Carleton got $24,400, while the National Council of Jewish Women of Canada (Toronto section) received $9,688.

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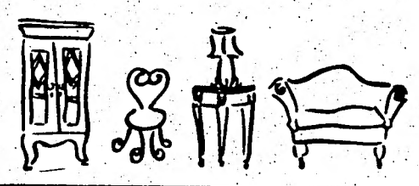

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Organizations and People

Germany's 'Nasty Girl' maintains fight

By FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

You'd think that 12 years of struggling to uncover the horrifying truth about what happened in her hometown of Passau, Bavaria, during World War II would wear Anna Rosmus down. Rosmus, who was the inspiration for the German film *The Nasty Girl*, which closely paralleled her own story, began her quest as an idealistic student expecting to learn about heroic resistance to the Nazis in her strongly Catholic town.

The more Rosmus learned, the more resistance she met, both from church and town officials. She obtained access to Passau's archives only after a court battle, and endured repeated threats to her safety.

But rather than being worn down, Rosmus, who is now a divorced mother of two in her early 30s, has become even more dedicated to what appears to be turning into her life's work. Most recently, she fought against a Catholic ceremony in Bavaria commemorating the destruction of the synagogues along the Danube River 500 years ago, and she is planning a PhD paper about the history of Passau's Jews, at least three of whom, she said, ended up in Toronto.

Rosmus will be speaking about her experiences at Shaarei Shomayim Congregation on Sunday, November 15 at 8 p.m., as part of Holocaust Education Week.

In a recent telephone interview, Rosmus' lightly accented voice sounded strong and positive. She had to learn to be a strong person, she said. As the eldest of her siblings, she was raised with a sense of responsiblity, and her sense of caring mirrors her mother's love for all living things. Her courage, she says, derives from her father, who was very active in union fights "for the rights of others." Her parents' support for what she does has intensified over the years.

Learned to be strong

Rosmus has made public information about Passau concentration camps, war crimes by prominent citizens, and the fate of Passau's pre-war Jewish community. Her fourth book will be published in the next few months, she said. It deals with war crimes in her hometown, including "the systematic murder of children, who were regarded as useless consumers of food." Hundreds of newborn babies died a painful death, said Rosmus.

Over the years, Passau's community "has learned to live with" Rosmus, as she has learned to live with them. Once her work began to attract media attention, she noted wryly, she was listed in a Passau tourist brochure.

She feels that the city has tried to use her. "People don't like what I am doing," she says.

Rosmus continues to live in Passau for two reasons, one purely practical, the other altruistic. From a practical standpoint, if Rosmus moves from the town, she will lose access to the city's archives, Passau citizenship having been a condition imposed by the court when she fought for access.

Rosmus also feels a great sense of responsibility to the town's minorities, such as the handicapped and the few remaining Jews. Nobody else from the general population speaks up for them, she said. "I would feel guilty leaving."

Anna Rosmus

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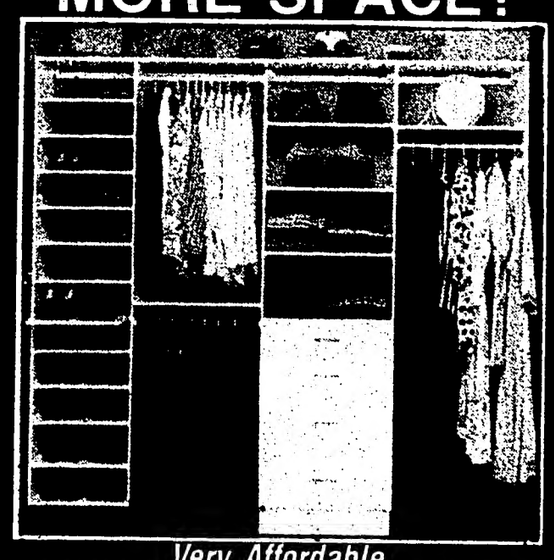
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At the United Jewish Appeal Women's Night at Beth Sholom Synagogue, Marina Furman (second from left) formerly of Russia and Messaret Shibru formerly of Ethiopia were the featured speakers. Susan Fenwick, extreme left, and Glennie Lindenberg, extreme right, were co-chairmen. (Graphic Artists photo)

Former Refusenik relives nightmare of abuse, neglect

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

A frail 33-year-old mother told the astounding story here recently of how she was threatened with rape by 30 drunken hoodlums in Kiev and later abandoned in a Leningrad (St. Petersburg) hospital by the medical and nursing staff while she was giving birth.

Marina Furman spoke to a large audience hanging on every word at UJA Night at Beth Sholom Synagogue, sponsored by the Jewish Women's Federation and the United Jewish Appeal Women's Campaign.

One of the first things Furman did was to thank Adath Israel Synagogue and the Torontonians who pressured the Soviet government into allowing Refuseniks like herself and her husband, Lev, to go to Israel. Many people in the audience had been inolved in these efforts.

Furman is now living in Ra'anana, Israel, helping with the absorption of the thousands of olim who have followed her to Israel from the Soviet.

She was not yet 19 years old when she was arrested in Kiev for her activities as a Refusenik and thrown into a cell with 30 drunken men. "They threatened to rape me but there was among them a man who was one of my mother's students and he used a long knife to keep them away from me. There was a lot of blood around. The shock was so great I was unconscious for several days.

"When I did recover I met the policeman on the street who had thrown me into jail. 'You must be a devil,' he told me, 'because only a devil could survive the situation you were in.'"

Soon after that she met her future husband, who is 13 years older, and within a week of their first meeting, they were married. "I told my mother that I might never again meet a man with such blue eyes."

The Furmans moved to Leningrad where Lev's activity as a Hebrew teacher and her own work as a Refusenik had the Soviet police on their trail again.

"I was told by the police that if Lev didn't stop his teaching I would be killed and so would the baby I was bearing. I went into hospital to have the baby and I suppose it would have been too obvious for them to kill me outright. But they left me without a doctor or a nurse. During that time, I don't know how long it was, I knew and understood the agony of the mothers who lost their children in the Holocaust. Finally a doctor came to help me, and my daughter, Aliyah, was born, and she, too, had blue eyes. That doctor was fired by the hospital next day."

Released from prison

Furman and her husband were arrested in Leningrad the day after a mass rally of Jews in Washington demanded freedom for Refuseniks. "But there were such effective protests to the Soviet government from Jews in the United States and Canada about our imprisonment that we were released after five hours," she said.

It was then that they were given their exit visas for Israel.

Furman said she is gravely concerned that the situation in Russia is "very dangerous" for Jews and that thousands of prospective olim there are "holding back" because they fear that Israel does not have enough resources to teach them Hebrew so they can practise their own professions in the country.

Another speaker, Messaret Shibru, an Ethiopian Jew, related the circumstances in which her father, a doctor, her mother, a nurse, and her six sisters and two brothers were finally reunited in Israel as a result of Operation Moses and Operation Solomon.

Her story was not without its heartbreaks as well for at one point Shibru and one sister were in Israel while her mother languished in an Ethiopian jail and there was no one to look after her 2-year-old brother.

Shibru obtained a degree in social work from Haifa University and is now counselling other Ethiopians at Beit Goldmintz Absorption Centre in Netanya.

A video on the Toronto UJA campaign revealed that there are 20,000 Jews living below the poverty line in Toronto; $1.3 million in funds are required to help them. The video also disclosed that the cost of rescuing 45,000 Ethiopian Jews was $195 million, and the cost of bringing 400,000 olim from the Soviet Union was $1.3 billion.

Others taking part in the program were Beverley Holtzman, president, Jewish Women's Federation, Glennie Lindenberg, UJA Night co-chairman along with Susan Fenwick, and Lorraine Sandler, chairman of the 1992 UJA Women's campaign.

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Emunah Women bazaar planned

By FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

If you're in the market for some unusual gifts and you want to help a good cause, mark Nov. 15 on your calendar. The annual Sunday Shopping Spree held by Emunah Women of Toronto as their main fundraising event will be held on that day.

The bazaar will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Lawrence Square, 700 Lawrence Ave. W. at the Allen Expressway.

There will be "gifts for the whole family, some at bargain prices," says Aggie Deutsch, who along with Malka Deutsch (no relation), is co-chairman of the event. Faux furs and kosher chocolates are some of the items they will be selling this year for the first time.

Baked goods, toys, new shoes and sneakers, the deodorant stone, shul hats, new blue jeans, tie-dyed and hand-painted outfits and T-shirts, as well as hair accessories, water filters and small antiques and knick-knacks will also be for sale.

Emunah Women, the women's section of the religious Zionist movement, provides social services, day care, nurseries, and religious and secular education, some for disadvantaged children, in Israel.

Neve Michael, a residential nursery in Pardess Chana, is the special project of Toronto Emunah.

"We would like everybody to support us this year in order that our children in Israel, especially at Neve Michael and our day care centres, be educated well for the coming year," says Aggie Deutsch.

Marlene Segal, Aggie Deutsch, Ruth Cymerman and Malka Deutsch prepare for Emunah Women's 1992 Sunday Shopping Spree.

CJC committees named

TORONTO —

Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario region chairman Gerda Frieberg has announced the CJC regional committees and chairmen for the 1992-1995 term.

There are some new committees, and realignment of existing ones, she pointed out. As well many of the committees have new chairmen or co-chairmen, Frieberg added.

Following is a list of committees and chairmen: budget and financial chairman, Harold Brief and vice-chairman Eli Rubinstein; communications — Hindy Friedman; community relations (JCRC) — chairman David Satok and vice-chairmen, Louis Lenkinski and Ellen Cole; community services — co-chairmen Jack Mintz and Paul Walman (Kitchener) and vice-chairman Michael Sobol (Guelph); Constitution — Patricia Rubin; education and culture — Sandra Brown; Israel affairs — co-chairmen Stephen Granovsky and David Rotenberg; legal — John I. Laskin; Moses Chittin — Yitz Feldman; Ontario Jewish Association For Equity in Education — Murray Segal; personnel — Moshe T. Ronen; political liaison — co-chairmen Mel Freedman (Hamilton), Marsha Slavens, and Brent Pearlman; World Jewry and International Affairs — co-chairmen Joyce Eklove and Ruthie Zaionz; and youth — co-chairmen Marty Brown (North Bay) and Helen Daniels.

At the recent CJC regional executive committee meeting, a number of co-options to the Ontario region executive committee were approved. They are: Ester Bem-Guth; Dr. Harvey Erlich; Neil R. Finkelstein; Mel Freedman; Sol Friendly; Hathan O. Hurwich; Edward Morgan; Brent Pearlman; Joel Richler, and Ruthie Zionz.

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Members of Darchei Noam's planning committee for the 20th anniversary celebration include (from left) Shirley Segev, Robert Silver, Phyllis Angel Greenberg and Mark Hundert.

Darchei Noam leaders to celebrate 20 years

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —
They were a group of 20 or so young families, passionately committed to ideals of egalitarianism, social action and intellectual questions.

Anxious to be "as unlike organized religious institutions as possible," they nevertheless wound up being the founders of Darchei Noam Synagogue, the only Reconstructionist congregation in Toronto, and one of the few in Canada.

And this group, which unofficial chazzan Phyllis Angel Greenberg (she shares duties with Rob Silver and various other members of the congregation as needed) describes as being "politically correct before it became politically correct to be politically correct" is celebrating its 20th anniversary.

Highlights of the year-long celebration will include their first adult bat mitzvah ceremony on November 7, and a weekend celebration in the spring which will honor Rabbi Lavi Becker, one of those who brought Reconstructionism to Canada.

Reconstructionism is based on the philosophy of founder Rabbi Mordechai Kaplan, who defined Judaism as the evolving religious civilization of the Jewish people.

Judaism, explains a pamphlet issued by the Federation of Reconstructionist Congregations and Havurot, includes a commitment to Israel and the Hebrew language, a shared historical memory and destiny, and a legacy of literature, art and music.

"While Reconstructionists are lovers of tradition, and support community celebration of the Jewish sacred year and life-cycle events," the pamphlet continues, they nevertheless believe that "the fact of the Jewish community is changing, and that individuals have the right to adapt Jewish tradition to new circumstances."

Six of the original members — Greenberg, Sid Butovsky, Danny Schild, who acted as the first Torah reader and liturgical expert, Gilda and Harvey Freeman, and Ron Cowitz, together with president Mark Hundert gathered recently to reminisce about how everything started.

Becker and Stephen Barber, stalwarts of the Montreal Reconstructionist community, were anxious to expand into Toronto. Around 1965, they began to encourage ex-Montrealers to hold informal study groups.

A meeting at the Park Plaza Hotel began the move to a more formal situation.

The first High Holy Day services, were held at the Borochov Centre on Wilmington, led, insofar as Reconstructionist services are led, by Joel and Rebecca Alpert, students at the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College in Philadelphia.

For a time afterwards, meetings, study groups and the occasional Friday night service were held at different private homes, often led by Rabbi Becker.

"He gave us the underpinning and confidence we needed. He never gave up," agreed Greenberg and Gilda Freeman.

They argued over everything, the group remembered, over what form the services would take, whether they wanted a congregation or a rabbi at all, whether they should rent quarters, whether they should have "membership."

But the discussions of theology and religion, while perhaps heated, were always undertaken most seriously.

Everyone held some office or other, and everyone helped out, moving boxes, getting supplies, leading services.

Gradually, they became more organized, renting space, including the north JCC, Bialik, Diet Workshop, the Zionist Building.

Student rabbis, including Joy Levitt, now editor of the Reconstrucionist magazine, came regularly. In fact, so many of the student rabbis were women, that some of the members' children were astonished to find that men could be rabbis too.

Rabbi Richard Hirsh was the first permanent rabbi, albeit on a part-time basis (he was also Hillel director) from 1981-1983. He was followed by rabbis Barry Blum, from 1984-1986; Deborah Brin from 1986-1990; and, since 1991, Lawrence Pinsker.

So committed is Darchei Noam to the Reconstructionist ideal that they have made a conscious decision to only hire students or graduates of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, even, when a suitable candidate was not available, going without one.

The congregation, which now numbers nearly 200 households, has renovated a section of B'nai Brith House on Hove, just west of Bathurst.

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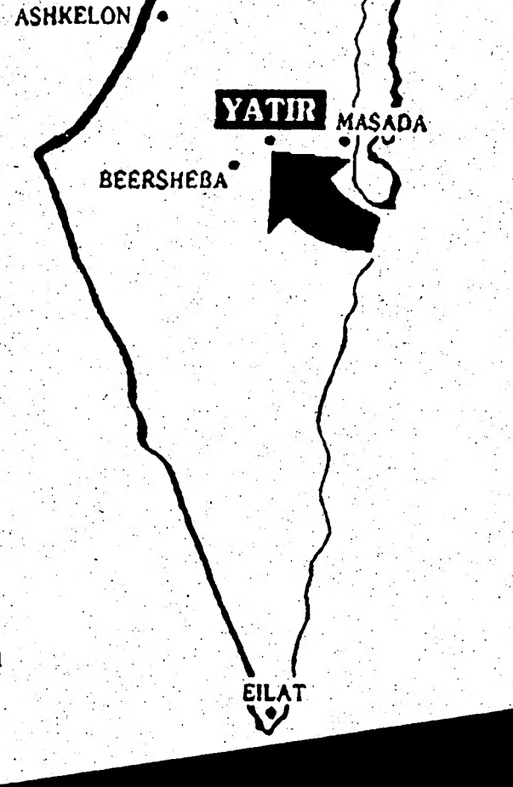

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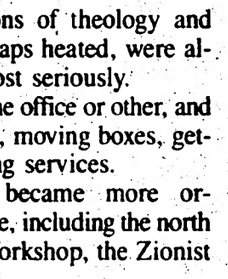
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Organizations and People

Newfoundland Jews help immigrants adjust to Canada

By JOEL JACOBSON

MONCTON —

Who needs the hustle and bustle of Toronto and Montreal when you can have the peace and tranquility of Newfoundland?

Several Eastern European families have found serenity on "The Rock" at their first, and so far only, stop in Canada.

"Newfoundland is a kinder, gentler place to integrate the Canadian scene," said Claire Frankel- Salama, who herself emigrated there from Toronto seven years ago when her husband accepted a teaching position at Memorial University in St. John's.

"Newfoundlanders are a patient, kind people. You know you won't be mugged there," she said.

And that, plus Gander, Nfld. being the first landing place on Canada's east coast, has enticed half a dozen families and several single people to establish their first "western" home in Newfoundland.

The influx of Europeans started three years ago with two Bulgarian families who soon moved to central Canada.

But last February, three more families arrived and have remained.

"One family arrived in Gander, via Cuba, with only the clothes on their backs," said Frankel-Salama.

They had been living in Cuba for a year, learned some Spanish and mixed with the Cuban Jewish community. On their way back to Russia, they sought asylum at Gander. Aeroflot confiscated their luggage which included special boots and leg braces needed by a 13-year-old daughter who had cerebral palsy.

"There they were, in minus 15 weather without winter coats or boots and no other clothes. The Anglican church of Gander provided them with second-hand necessities," said Frankel Salama.

Once they arrived in St. John's, the Association for New Canadians found them shelter, basic necessities and English classes, but the Jewish community took them to their hearts.

"They were welcomed to our homes and synagogues, were supplied with clothing, games, puzzles, books and a television, things to keep them busy while they waited for their immigration hearing.

Others also stopped in Gander and found their way to St. John's.

"On the first weekend, a Baltic family walked an hour and quarter in the snow and wind to get to our synagogue," Frankel-Salama said. "They have given back as much as we've given. They attend Friday night services and help make up our minyan. They have helped build the Sukkah, pitched in to clean the shul."

Another family, she said, was afraid to visit the synagogue for the first two months they were there, but finally made contact.

"It seems there are many other Jewish refugees who have passed through St. John's without contacting us for fear of being identified as Jews," said Frankel-Salama.

Each family was invited to at least one seder last Pesach and was given a Pesach basket.

"We're the only model of a Jewish community they've seen and it has been good for them to be able to recognize Judaism again. But it has also brought our community together. It has helped us set priorities and realize why we're here — the importance of feeling part of the greater Israel."

She said the only area the community has failed in is procuring jobs for immigrants. There are very highly qualified people but the employment situation in Newfoundland is not good.

"We have to give them time, though," she said. "Some are just starting language training now. Then they'll probably go to the larger centres [where employment opportunities are greater and there are larger Jewish communities]."

But, said Frankel-Salama, if they made their first contacts in a larger community, they wouldn't have had the personal contact with Jews that they had in the small St. John's community of 20 Jewish families.

AJC president Freeman to serve two-year term

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Emmanual Zabar had resigned his position last July and was carrying on as UIA campaign chairman, but would leave that post at the end of the current campaign.

Treasurer Mark Rosen presented a financial report that showed the AJC in good shape "after being close to insolvency when I took over two years ago. But we have to get our priorities right to remain deficit-free."

The AJC budget is $275,000 with close to 85 percent being provided by Canadian Jewish Congress and United Israel Appeal.

Freeman said he was asked two days before the election to accept the two-year term as president. He admitted he thought hard about it before accepting because of the major commitments of time and energy.

He heads an executive comprised of: chairman, Ivan Levine, Fredericton; past president, Lee Cohen, Halifax; first vice-president, Victor Goldberg, Halifax second vice-president, Sheva Medjuck, Halifax; tresurer Mark Rosen, Halifax; associate treasurer, Barbara Paton, Halifax secretary; Myrna Yazer, Halifax.

Community representatives are: Fredericton, Miriam Cohen; Saint John, Janet Holtzman; Moncton, Evie Carnat; Prince Edward Island, Joe Naylor; Halifax, Jim Spatz; Cape Breton, Shirley Chernin; Newfoundland, Claire Frankel-Salama; Annapolis Valley, Naomi Honey.

Members-at-large are: David Attis, Moncton; Seymour Prince, Halifax; Francis Well, Moncton; Murray Schwartz, Halifax and Irwin Lampert, Moncton. Frank Medjuck, Halifax, is legal counsel.

BAZAAR MEETING

A member of Jews for Jesus (left) was met at last week's 68th annual Hadassah-WIZO bazaar by a member of the counter-missionary group, Jews for Judaism. Both organizations handed out leaflets. Later, Jews for Jesus were persuaded to insert Jews for Judaism brochures into their literature. [Ron Csillag photo].

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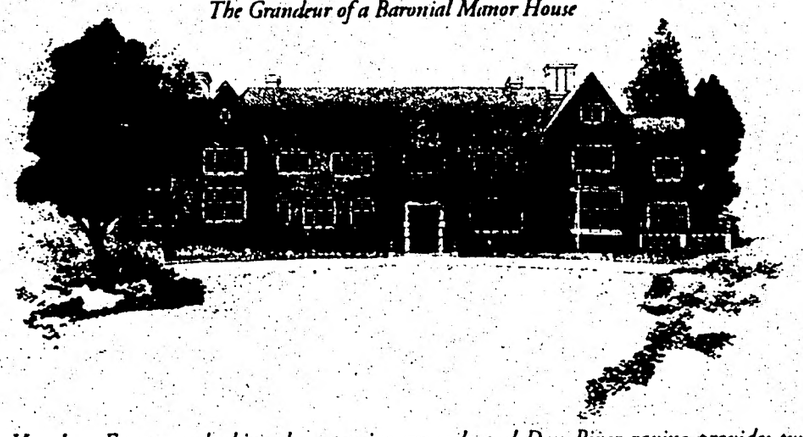

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Steins mark 50th anniversary

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Not every father is escorted by a convoy of 25 trucks filled with high explosives when he arrives to see his 6-months-old daughter for the first time.

It was wartime London and Ernie Stein of the British Army Service Corps was leading the convoy to a classified location when he got the bright idea to detour to his mother-in-law's house where his wife, Rachel, and new baby were living.

The visit was a complete surprise. "My mother-in-law said I had to have some kugel soup and while I did all the neighbors on the street took out food and drink to the drivers in the convoy. If the police had known what explosives were on that street I would have been in real trouble."

Ernie and Rachel Stein on their wedding day 50 years ago.

The incident was recalled recently by Stein and his wife as they marked the 50th anniversary of their wedding in London's Hackney Synagogue on Aug. 23, 1942. At that time, because of wartime restrictions, the wedding reception could not be held in a large hall and food rations had to be pooled for the 50 guests who crowded into the home of Rachel Eslin's parents.

Stein got four days leave from the army for his wedding and Rachel got two weeks leave from her post in the Auxiliary Territorial Services. They had a one-night honeymoon in a London hotel and the next day Stein was back at his army station.

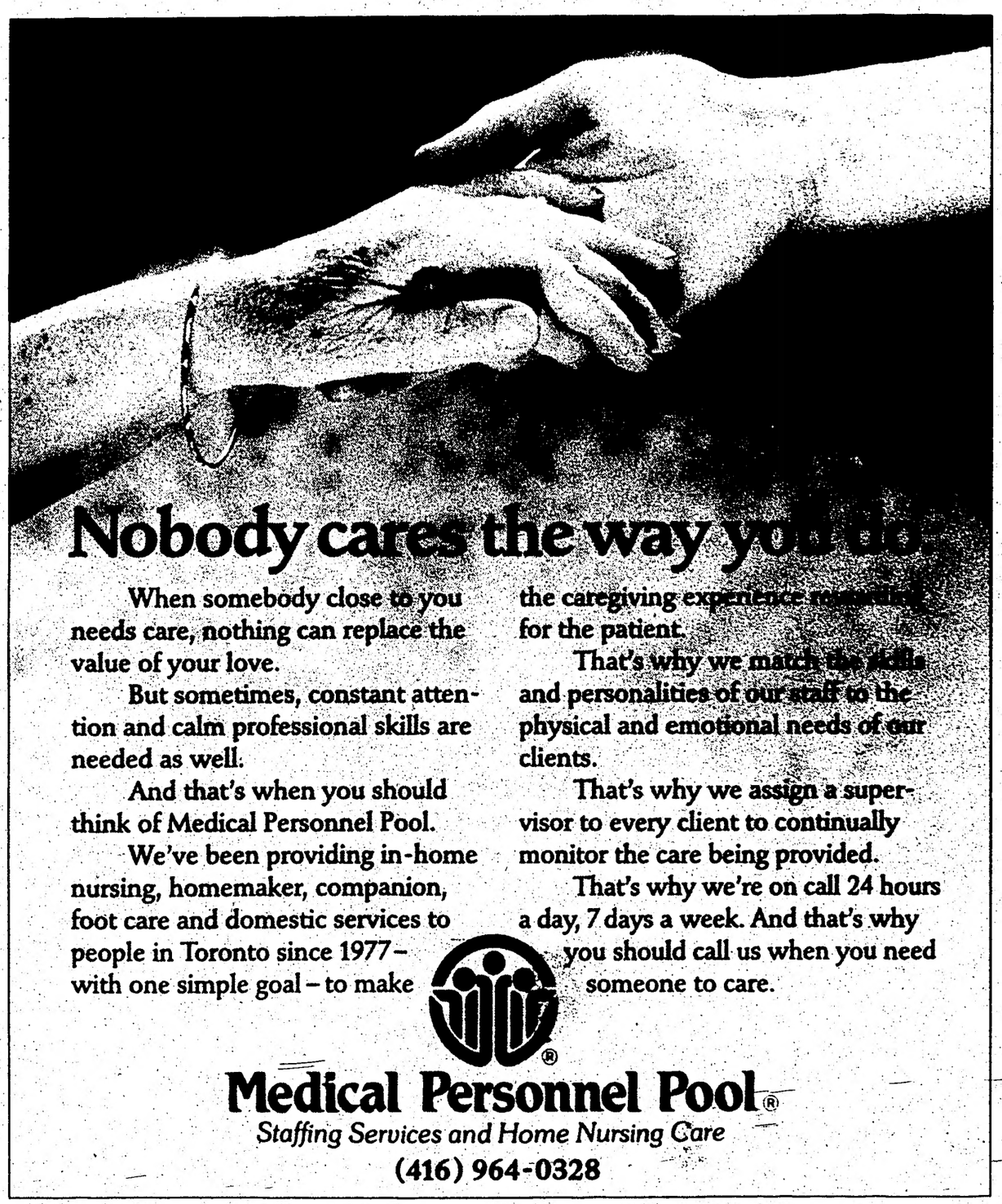
As parade marshall for both the national and Toronto posts of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada, Stein is a familiar figure at this time of year. Though he is only 5 feet, 3 inches in height, his ramrod stiff figure and brisk military gait attract attention.

A veteran of action on the Normandy front, Stein was co-opted to the national executive of the Jewish War Veterans within a week of the couple's arrival to live in Canada in 1977 to be near their daughters and grandchildren.

Stein, 73, and his wife, Rachel, 74, have never regretted their decision to leave their native England for life in Canada. "Jews in Canada are very friendly, they are not aloof as some people in England tend to be," Stein said.

He worked as a salesman in Toronto and suburbs for an electrical goods company, and later travelled in southern Ontario for that firm. He stopped work in 1984 after a heart attack.

Their family here includes daughter Hilary and Sid Kay and their children Andrew and Kelly, Jason and Elizabeth, Hadley, and Jodi, and daughter Linda Stein and her children Murray and Shannon.



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Step into the past at the Strong Museum. World-renowned collections include dolls, toys, miniatures, decorative arts, furnishings and glassware.

Rochester strives to preserve its colorful local history

STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK — Rochester, the young lion of the west, is still roaring.

This community is as strong as ever and residents maintain and exhibit a fierce pride in their city.

Nowhere is this sentiment more evident than in the efforts they have made to preserve the colorful local history. Visitors to Rochester are able to spend hours revelling in days-gone-by.

The tour began with the Susan B. Anthony House, portraying the humble beginning for a woman who had such an impact on the world.

Susan B. Anthony, a pioneer of women's rights, lived in the simple red brick house from 1866 until her death in 1906. The hostess points out the fact that the bed in the bedroom was the actual place where Anthony died.

The next stop is the Strong Museum. Although the museum's collection includes more than half a million objects, I found the extensive display on dolls fascinating.

It's a child's dream come true. Extensive hardly comes close to describing the 20,000 dolls that provide a visual documentation of lifestyles from all over the world.

What's a doll without a doll house? The museum has taken care of that too with rooms that are full of doll houses, china miniatures and toys.

The nationally recognized museum grew out of the vast, eclectic collection of Margaret Woodbury Strong whose fortune was built on the expanding industrial economy of Rochester.

Some of the other interesting exhibits include Altered States - Alcohol and Other Drugs in America; Neither Rich Nor Poor - Searching for the American Middle Class, and finally one I'm especially interested in, The American Journalist - Paradox of the Press.

Of course, Rochester also prides itself on live entertainment. Once you've had your fill of the past, plan to lose yourself in Rochester's theatrical heritage at the GeVa Theatre.

On tour backstage, it was pointed out that GeVa has a professional staff of theatre artists and technicians that is supplemented by more than 100 professional directors, designers and actors chosen for their abilities to produce specific mainstage presentations.

The theatre has a terrific line-up scheduled for the new year including such productions as *The Sum of Us, Mount Allegro, TinTypes, Of Mice and Men and Reflections '93 - A new Plays Festival.*

Day two of my tour began with a tour at the Centre at High Falls, originally the old Rochester Water Works' Holly Pump Station.

Designed in 1871 by famed architect A. J. Warner for a high-pressure water system to quench fires, the building now contains the visitor orientation room and many permanent exhibits.

A trip to the Memorial Art Gallery is a journey through more than 5,000 years of art history and visitors will need more than a couple of hours to do this site justice.

From the relics of antiquity to works that form the vanguard of contemporary movements, the gallery offers a panorama of the world's art.

Although I was only able to spend a short time there, the gallery's special strengths include medieval and 17th century art; 19th and early 20th century French and American paintings; American folk art; and European and American prints and drawings.

I was able to see one of the newest exhibits entitled After Columbus: The First Hundred Years of Mapping America. This involving display is sure to lead map enthusiasts into unchartered territories.

That evening the whole town turned out to see the first performance of the Laser, Light & Sound Show. River of Light: A Celebration of Rochester & The Genesee dramatically tells the community's tale from its origins to its future through an entertaining half hour presentation using state-of-the-art laser and panigraphic slide imaging projected on a massive 500-foot section of the gorge wall at High Falls.

The next day began with a soothing trip down the Erie Canal and the Genesee River on the historical vessel, the Sam Patch.

It is a genuine packet boat like those that travelled the waterways more than 150 years ago.

The boat is named after the famed daredevil waterfall jumper who even braved Niagara Falls. The original Sam Patch became the only person in Rochester's history to win fame for himself and the city by leaping over the Genesee's High Falls.

The new boat, which was built in 1991, is designed to transport you through the region rich in American history. The trip, especially when done during the height of the fall colors, is a great way to start any day.

Before a farewell lunch at Chatham's at Brookwood Inn where they offer terrific package deals, a stop was made at Dartmouth House Bed & Breakfast owned by Ellie and Bill Klein.

Here, visitors will enjoy 1905 Edwardian charm, warm hospitality, antiques, cozy window seats, the grand piano and more in the turn-of-the-century Tudor home located just one mile from downtown Rochester.

On the way to the airport I thought of all the places I'd visited and the many more sites I'd hoped to have seen. Without a doubt I can say that there is more than enough to keep visitors amused in Rochester — no matter what their interests may be.

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Reena announces new Chairman of the Board

At the annual general meeting of the Reena Foundation, Hy Eiley was elected Chairman of the Board of Directors for the years 1992-1994.

Hy Eiley

Having been involved with the Reena Foundation since his move to Toronto, Hy brings to the position of Chairman, a history of community service spanning over 30 years in three cities.

Born in Montreal, a graduate from McGill University, Hy Eiley practised as a chartered acountant from 1960 until 1972. During this time, and until his departure from Montreal, he was also the owner of several businesses in the retail, manufacturing, and importing sectors. He was actively involved in community life, e.g. B'nai Brith, UJA, Jewish Peoples Schools, Montreal Protestant School Board (Town of Mount Royal), and as a hockey coach for TMR Hockey League for children 8 to 12 years old.

In 1978, Hy Eiley and his family moved to La Jolla, California, where he was primarily involved in the real estate industry. He was President of First Canadian Development Corporation of California, a real estate development company, as well as a principal of a major residential homebuilder (Marlborough Developments) both in partnership with a wholly-owned subsidiary of Olympia and York. While residing in southern California, the Eiley family was instrumental in helping to build the first synagogue in La Jolla. Although the family moved to Toronto in the early eighties, Hy is still involved in the community and business life of La Jolla.

Since his arrival in Toronto, Hy has been active in the investment field as President of First Canadian Investco Ltd., an investment company operating out of different parts of the world. More recently, he has become involved in world wide trading activities.

From 1988 to 1991, Hy served as Chairman of the Board of Surrey Place Centre. He is a sometime sculptor, jogger, "lousy" golfer, collector of oriental artifacts and California wine taster. Hy is married to Joan, owner of Joan Eiley and Associates, a successful furniture, accessory and fabric showroom. They have two daughters and a son all in their twenties.

Hy Eiley brings to Reena the same philosophy by which he leads his life: "I have been very lucky in my lifetime," he says. "I have been married for thirty years to a beautiful, caring, accomplished partner and have three wonderful children who are all 'mentschen'. If I can help to improve the lives of those around me who have not been as fortunate, I will be truly pleased. My parents were dedicated community workers for all of their adult life in Montreal; they always said: 'Leave the world a little better than you found it'."

With regard to actual programs and policy directions Reena will take during his term of office, Hy plans to "... ensure the continual upgrading of the quality of the services Reena offers to people with developmental handicaps. In this regard, we have assembled an excellent group of capable Board members and volunteers to monitor and continuously examine our efforts."

The rights of the developmentally handicapped are also a priority for the new Chairman. "With the establishment of the Marilyn and Bert Raphael Advocacy Fund, we will advocate for and safeguard the fundamental rights of those people we are trying to integrate into the community. We have to ensure that people who are developmentally delayed live with dignity."

A predominant task facing Reena under Mr. Eiley's tenure will be guiding the community towards the elimination of the waiting list. "We must be in a position where we can offer our services to all those people who have waited so long to be included in the Reena Family."

Another major responsibility will be the administration of the recent bequest from the Battle family estate which will become the cornerstone of the Battle Centre in Toronto.

"I would like to see our proposed Battle Centre become the flagship facility in Toronto. We have been most fortunate to have been chosen as the agency of choice to receive this large bequest. We owe it to our donor, the executors and the community to fulfil the mandate. Having a centre where developmentally handicapped people can socialize, improve their skills and just generally feel welcome will strengthen them and make them feel more equal as contributing members of society. However, the biggest task we now face is to have the community step forward to complete the task. The community can make the difference and I hope it will."

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Storytellers, musicians enchant

By JACK KOHANE

TORONTO —

Billed as a feast of Jewish wit and humor, the first annual Jewish Storytelling Festival debuted recently at the Toronto Zionist Centre, where 15 tellers of tales and three musicians combined talents in a wonderful day-long event.

Presented by the Jewish Storytelling Arts (Ontario) and members of the Storytellers School of Toronto, this was the first event of its kind in Canada. What the hundreds of patrons came to see, and what they were treated to, was an exceptional program of entertainment showcasing the richness and diversity of Jewish life, history and culture.

The one negative comment was that many of the performances ran concurrently, thereby making it impossible for visitors to take in every show on the schedule. That should be rectified when the next festival is staged next year.

The program consisted of works by I. L. Peretz, Shalom Aleichem, chassidic authors, and writers who lived during the years of the Holocaust.

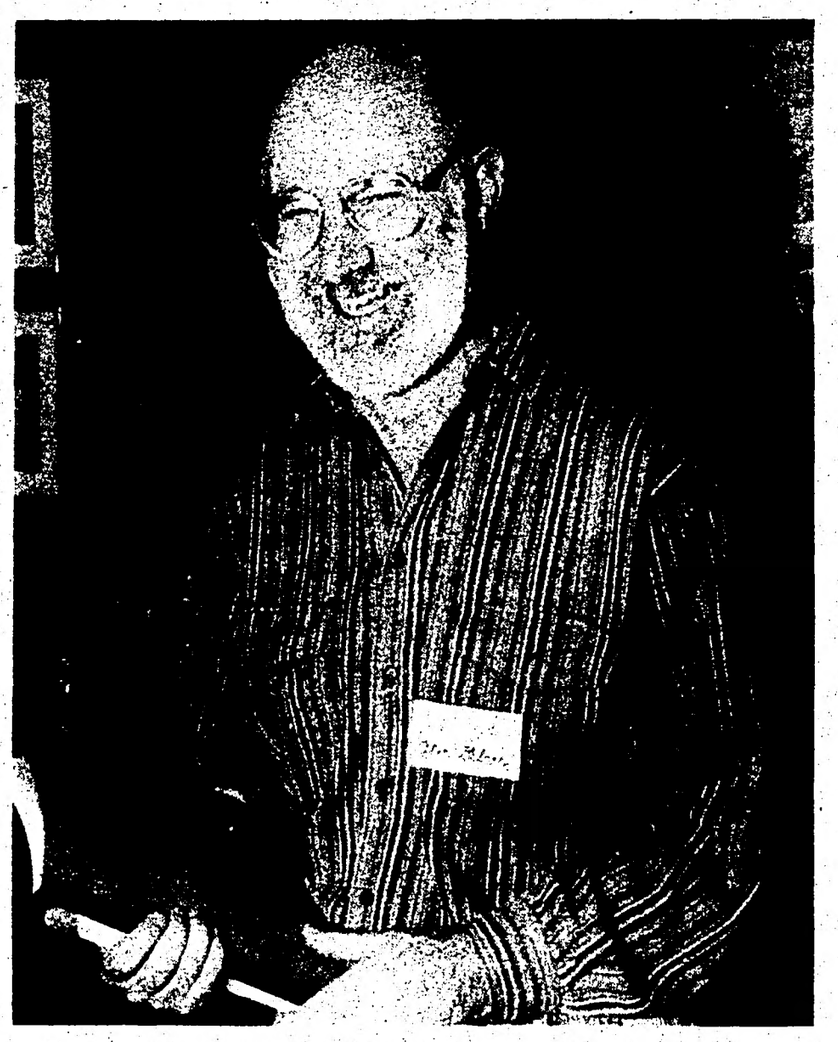
"Putting together this event was not altogether easy," said Leslie Robbins, co-ordinator of the festival and renowned storyteller. "The response of the community to this concept has been gratifying. The enthusiasm of our performers here made matters run smoother and the results make the entire effort worthwhile."

Robbins noted that throughout history, Jewish storytellers have been considered masters of this art form. "The Bible provides us with the oldest recorded parables and allegorical works. Rabbis and other sages have employed stories to illustrate points of debate, to explain the myriad mysteries of life, and to draw moralistic conclusions."

The Diaspora enriched this process. In exile, Jews would donate elements of folklore to their adopted society, as well as assimilate selected portions of the local mythology. That may account for the numerous stylistic similarities between folk tales from widely dispersed cultures and traditions.

According to Alex Gelcer, broadcaster and accomplished raconteur, Jewish fables retained the basic form of these hybrid tales, but the content and tenor were fundamentally Jewish in character; the flavor was sprinkled with Yiddish humor and witticisms.

The tone of these stories have taken an ominous turn over the last several decades. Gelcer's presentation, Stories from the Kingdom of the Night



Alec Gelcer

— Tales of the Holocaust, provided examples of this trend. Excerpts taken from several sources were chosen by Gelcer because of the indelible mark they etched into his memory.

With passion in his voice, Gelcer recounted how "small causes" helped keep some prisoners in Auschwitz alive. These were the ones who were assigned to clean and press the SS uniforms. On many occasions, one of the captives would slip out of the laundry to the spot where the corpses were piled behind a building. He searched the bodies for the tiny ticks that spread typhus. He would carefully gather some up, take them back to the laundry where they were discreetly placed behind the lapels of the cleaned uniforms, then promptly returned to the officers. No further words were needed to complete the message. Many in the audience were moved to tears at the conclusion of Gelcer's presentation.

Robbins gave a stirring rendition of the book *From Lodz to Samarkand — A Woman in Exile*, written by Toby Klodawski Flam. These comprised a series of images and impressions of the destruction and prevalence of death during World War II as seen through the eyes of Toby, then a teenager. She escaped the Nazis only to find a slightly lesser hell in a Soviet labor camp.

Robbins' deliberate and understated performance served to heighten the drama and impact of Toby's words, and made the imagery nightmarishly real for the audience.

The festival also provided some lighter moments. Michael Wex recited passages from his autobiographical book, *Shlepping the Exile*, a funny and irreverent look at being raised in a religiously Orthodox home, the sole Jewish household in a small rural Albertan town. Delightfully droll, Wex recounted his first teenage sexual experiencees, his first love, and his career ambition to be a "nudist Elvis Presley," much to the chagrin of his family whose dreams of his entering the rabbinate slowly faded away.

All agreed that this festival proved to be a great success. "It fills a much-needed void in the artistic life of the community," said Robbins. That should provide impetus for many more such events to come.

For further information about the art of storytelling, phone (416) 924-8625.

DREIDLE MAKING DRIVE

This Chanukah 250 students from Netivot HaTorah will be participating in a dreidle making drive. The program, run by the Centre for Jewish Arts & Crafts, aims to create 1,000 hand made porcelain dreidles for distribution to four charitable organizations in Toronto. The event will take place during the week of Nov. 15. For more information, call Marvin Esser at 614-3434.

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Organizations and People

Ottawa Orthodox rabbis debate community problems

By MIRIAM SOBEL

OTTAWA —
Orthodox Judaism is not asleep when it comes to the concerns of modern Jewish women and their desire to share fully in Jewish life, a capacity audience was told last week at a rabbis' symposium on problems facing the Orthodox community.

The rabbis from Ottawa's four Orthodox synagogues spoke to about a 100 people at Congregation Beth Shalom West. It was the first time they had ever appeared together to discuss Jewish issues.

Rabbi Saul Aronov, of Congregation Beth Shalom, said there is a meaningful place for women in Jewish life, but criticized those who think it is found only in synagogue services. He said the energy used to organize women's prayer services, such as Rosh Chodesh services, would be better spent on community service, like building Jewish schools.

He said the emphasis on women's minyans is selfish and inward looking. More important than having an equal role in the synagogue, he said, is to learn and teach Torah. Women who study Torah, will have better Jewish homes. Women who teach it in Jewish schools, are our unsung heroes, because they are "changing children's lives."

Asked by someone in the audience how women and girls can feel equal to boys if there are limits to what they can do in synagogue services and at their bat mitzvahs, Rabbi Reuven Bulka, leader of Machzikei Hadas, said the North American bar mitzvah is a poor model for girls to follow. Bar mitzvah training, which stresses chanting and prayer skills, distorts what is meaningful in Judaism, he said.

Whereas in old Europe the bar mitzvah boy had a weekday aliyah and a sip of schnapps before he and his family went about their regular business, today the ceremony has become a great leap "into the new era of ego identity.

Girls learn values

"We dress it up, we put the kid up for his big ego thrills in front of the entire congregation, and we extol the kid for his ability to do what a parrot could do with the same amount of lessons," he said.

In his own bat mitzvah classes, said Rabbi Bulka, the girls learn about Jewish values, morals and ideas, and it is a rich experience.

Rabbi Howard Finkelstein, of Congregation Beth Shalom West, spoke about the problem of bringing unaffiliated Jews back into the congregation and Jewish life. He said there was one sure way to reach out to people.

"What is the one thing that speaks to everyone?" he asked. "The answer," he deadpanned, "is food."

Rabbi Finkelstein urged people to invite uninvolved or marginally involved Jews to their homes, or to synagogue-sponsored dinners. He said people will respond to genuine hospitality.

Above all, treat unaffiliated Jews with respect, warmth and acceptance and they might make the gradual return to Jewish life, he said.

"They want to be accepted at whatever level of observance they practice." he said.

He praised programs such as beginner services and Hebrew reading lessons as a way of inviting the unaffiliated to take the first step back to Judaism.

And he warned the audience not to ignore people once they have returned to the synagogue. Make them feel they belong to a larger group, he said.

Rabbi Mordecai Berger, the Lubavitch leader of Young Israel Synagogue, spoke about being part of a community in which there are different levels of observance. He said Jews should open their homes to each other and take part in community life. At the same time, they should not compromise their own level of observance to blend with others in the community.

Halachic view of organ transplants being studied by rabbinic scholars

TORONTO —
For the uninitiated, the world of Jewish law appears complex and sometimes strange. How does one understand how a headless sheep captured the attention of rabbis, doctors and medical ethicists around the world?

The sheep in question lost its head this summer as part of a unique talmudic experiment to research the halachic criteria for determining when death occurs.

According to Jewish law, human life is so sacred that one life cannot be sacrificed to save another under any circumstances. The life of a dying person is no less sacred, and therefore organ transplants are permitted only when the donor is already dead.

For years, Jewish law determined death as the cessation of a beating heart. If any organs were to be donated, they were permitted to be removed only after the donor's heart had stopped. As a result of this definition, few Orthodox Jews are registered as potential organ donors, and very few organ transplants are performed in Israel.

But in recent years, a different definition of death has emerged to a rage of controversy in medical ethics and halachic circles. According to this definition, death occurs when the brain stem stops functioning. This can occur before the heart stops beating, and the heart can be kept beating artificially after the brain stem dies.

The question facing rabbis is complex. Does death mean a heart that no longer beats, or a brain stem that no longer functions? Is a clinically brain dead person with a beating heart alive or dead?

Thus, the experiment with the sheep. Rabbi Dr. Moshe Tendler is a biologist and rabbinic scholar who advocates the halachic viability of brain death. This summer, he set out to test the theory by conducting an unusual experiment together with Hadassah — Hebrew University Hospital medical ethicist Rabbi Yigal Shafran.

The experiment recreated the only acceptable talmudic version of brain death — decapitation. The head of a pregnant sheep was cut off but its vital organs were maintained for several hours on life support systems.

Without its head, the sheep was obviously dead, and this could clearly and talmudically be defined as brain death. Yet because of the respirator, the heart continued to beat, and in fact, a live lamb was delivered by caesarean section after the head was removed.

According to Rabbi Tendler, the experiment proves that the traditional halachic criteria of death might not always be applicable. In this case, he says, neither a beating heart nor a live fetus were indications of life.

The sheep experiment was widely reported in Israeli and Jewish newspapers and is currently being studied by rabbis, physicians, and medical ethicists in Israel and around the world.

One such figure is Rabbi Shlomo Zalman Auerbach, an extremely influential and accepted rabbinic authority among ultra-Orthodox circles. Rabbi Auerbach has always held that because harvesting organs occurs before the heart stops beating, it is akin to bloodshed.

According to some sources, he has quietly revised his halachic opinion as a result of the sheep experiment and will now permit organ transplants under certain stringent conditions.

The Chief Rabbinate of Israel is also studying the issue. Pending a final halachic ruling, it has not objected to the performance of certain transplants.

Rabbi J. David Bleich, rosh yeshiva, rosh Kollel Le-Hora'ah and Tenzer professor of Jewish Law and Ethics at Yeshiva University, is one of the world's leading rabbinic authorities in medical ethics today, and a key figure in this riveting debate.

Rabbi Bleich has taught, published and spoken extensively on the sacredness of human life and organ transplants, and he brings a unique perspective to the issues. In 1988, he was a member of the National Institute of Health's (NIH) Human Fetal Tissue Transplantation Research Panel.

Torontonians will have a chance to hear Rabbi Bleich when he delivers the second annual Dr. Joseph Weil Memorial Lecture, sponsored by Toronto Friends of Laniado Hospital. The lecture is titled When Time is Everything: Organ Transplants in Jewish Law and will be held on Nov. 10 at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

Dr. Allan Seidenfeld is the chairman of Toronto Friends of Laniado Hospital. He says, "We're honored that Rabbi Bleich is coming to Toronto in support of Laniado Hospital. "We're excited to provide a platform for a great rabbinic scholar and leader, and we expect that hundreds of people will come to hear Rabbi Bleich speak on this fascinating and highly complex issue. The topic is especially suitable because the worldwide motto to Laniado Hospital is Dedicated to Life."

Lecture chairman Rabbi David Aronson noted that, "Jewish law has evolved over the centuries by a process of constant debate and discussion between rabbis and scholars. The criteria for determining death has such an enormous impact that the "brain death" debate has captivated the attention and emotions of people everywhere. Rabbi Bleich is sure to provide insight into this thought-provoking topic."

The public is cordially invited to the lecture. More information is available from Toronto Friends of Laniado Hospital at 256-3929.

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Israeli-made clogs and shoes find a toehold

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

We first became familiar with the names Sandy Galet and Corinne Lissoos when they began a firm called Solemates, a Canadian company that imports sandals from an Israeli kibbutz.

The continued success of Solemates has prompted the women to carry the newest footwear fashions from Naot Footwear Industries in Israel.

Now, loyal clients who have been won over from Birkenstock sandals, can enjoy fashionable comfort all year round. Available at Get Outside, Prairie Dog and Capezio Shoes, the latest products from the kibbutz are clogs and shoes.

"Our slogan reads, Naot is bringing health to fashion," says Hagit Kolman, the general manager of the factory.

Kolman, along with export manager Giora Schnabel, were recently visiting Canada. They agree that one of the main selling points behind their product is that fashion is not sacrificed for comfort.

Gone are the days of the cumbersome, heavy orthopedic look seen so often in shoes that supply to-die-for comfort. A unique manufacturing process and innovative designs at Naot ensure that their footwear is attractive, yet comfortable and sturdy.

As far as market research was concerned, the company went to great lengths when deciding how their product should be made.

"When purchasing the components for the shoes, we were quality - not price - oriented. The heart of the shoe, the insole, is from Austria and the leather is from Italy. We went to the best European resources with our specific requirements," Schnabel says proudly.

"Special techniques were developed at the factory to produce the shoes. Essentially, the soles or the EVA have two characteristics. First, the sole has been designed to be abrasion resistant, and two, it absorbs shock."

Kolman says there is a huge trend towards comfort in footwear and most manufacturers are beginning to realize this fact.

Although Naot Footwear is fairly new in Israel, the product is gaining in popularity. As Kolman says, "The design drags them in but the comfort captures them."

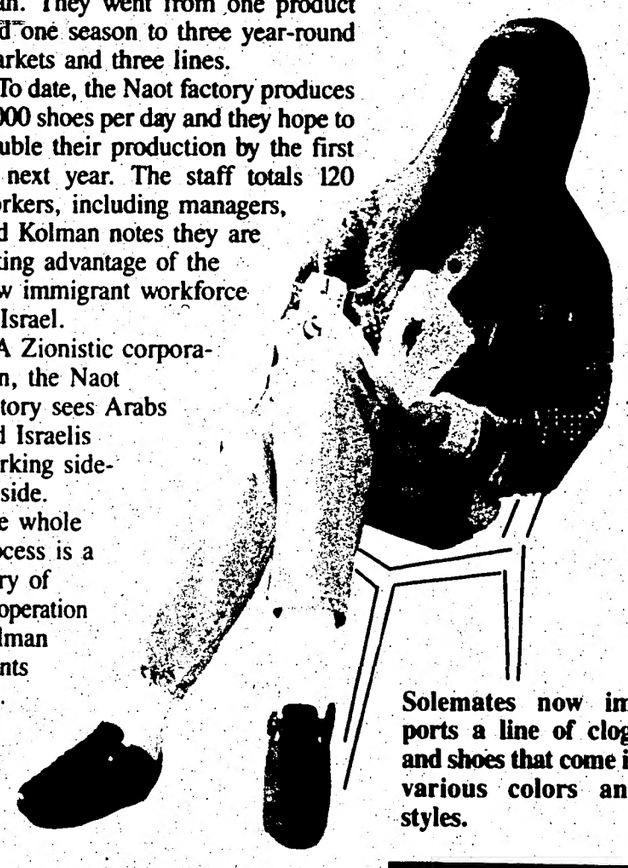
The team effort at the factory, much like that found on a kibbutz, makes for a unique manufacturing operation. Both Kolman and Schnabel agree that the different lines of shoes they produce require great expertise if the company is to be a successful competitor in the world market.

"The advantages of working in this type of structure is the team work. We developed this process so we can manufacture our shoes quickly," Kolman says.

This co-ordinated effort has certainly paid off. Within a six month period, the factory was able to change the production line and the materials. They led an in-depth market research mission and built a whole new strategy plan. They went from one product and one season to three year-round markets and three lines.

To date, the Naot factory produces 2,000 shoes per day and they hope to double their production by the first of next year. The staff totals 120 workers, including managers, and Kolman notes they are taking advantage of the new immigrant workforce in Israel.

A Zionistic corporation, the Naot factory sees Arabs and Israelis working side-by-side. The whole process is a story of co-operation Kolman points out.



Solemates now imports a line of clogs and shoes that come in various colors and styles.

The managers add that they look at Canada and the United States as their partners. Despite the differences in cultures, Kolman says that without co-operation and feedback from their trading partners, Naot Footwear Industries would not exist.

What does the success of the kibbutz factory mean for Canadians?

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Travel

Rochester home of Kodak's founder

STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK —
You simply can't visit Rochester without seeing, talking and hearing about the founder of Kodak one of the world's largest film manufacturers.

Curiousity got the best of me which meant that a trip to the restored mansion was in order.

In 1854, the life of one of America's greatest industrialists, innovators and philanthropists, George Eastman began in Waterville, New York.

Eastman's financial abilities coupled with his organizational skill and creativity enabled him to create and direct the Eastman Kodak Company in Rochester.

Although I could try to describe the type of life Eastman lived, the existing biography sums it up best.

Eastman's father moved the family from Waterville to Rochester in 1860 after he established Eastman's Commercial College. Two years later, he died suddenly, leaving his family with few financial resources.

Widow Maria Eastman was left to tend to her three children: Ellen, Kate and George. George, at 14, assumed the role of breadwinner for the family. He left school and began work at a local insurance company.

At 23, Eastman made plans to take a vacation with his mother to Santo Domingo and Eastman bought a photographic outfit to carry along on his trip.

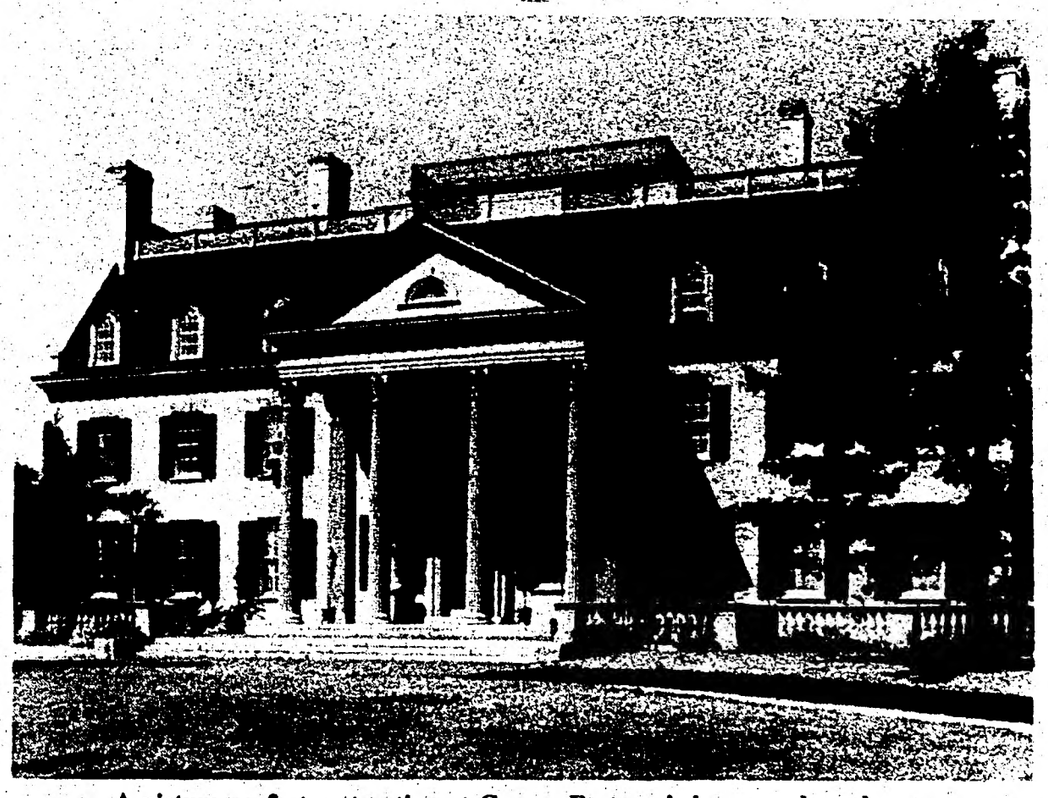
Disgusted with the excessive work and materials required to take and develop photos, Eastman searched for a simpler way to develop negatives. He spent three years in his mother's kitchen experimenting and by 1880 Eastman invented and patented a dry plate coating machine.

With the financial backing of Henry Strong, Eastman formed the Eastman Dry Plate Company. Eight years later, Eastman invented the word Kodak as a distinctive name for a film camera he was developing. The first Kodak camera, costing $25, was introduced in 1888.

That was the beginning and over the years Eastman succeeded in bringing Kodak to the forefront of the photography industry.

By 1902, he was ready to build his dream house.

Eastman hired architect J. Foster Warner and plans for the mansion commenced. Eastman remained involved in every aspect of the construction. He required the use of high quality materials and paid close attention to detail. The total cost of the construction was approximately $300,000. The house included state-of-the-art heating and lighting.



A picture-perfect restoration at George Eastman's house and gardens.

The firm of McKim, Mead and White designed the interior of the house. This was a premier architectural firm of the day having worked on The White House and Andrew Carnegie's house.

In October 1905, Eastman celebrated with a gala house opening. Looking at the restored house today, I can only imagine the splendor of the first open house.

This was a unique urban estate complete with ten acres of working farm land, nursery greenhouses, formal flower garden and a 35,000 square foot Colonial Revival mansion with a fireproof structure made of reinforced concrete.

Eastman did not spend all his fortune on his large mansion and festive dinners. In fact, throughout his lifetime, Eastman donated over $100 million to philanthropic causes.

He was a successful businessman yet he enjoyed his leisure time. Before his retirement, in 1925, he worked long hours at Kodak. Upon retiring, he pursued adventure in the American west and the African jungle.

One of Eastman's best known trips was his safari to Kenya. There, he traveled with his personal doctor as well as the famous wildlife researchers and photographers Matin and Osa Johnson.

After he returned from his second trip to Africa he was diagnosed as suffering from a progressive and irreversible spinal disease.

On March 14, 1932, Eastman ended his own life. In a note to his friends, Eastman simply wrote, "My work is done. Why wait?"

Today, those touring the George Eastman House will also be able to visit the International Museum of Photography. The museum is home to the world's largest combined collection of photography, technology, film and related literature.

TRAVEL TALK

By LEN BUTCHER

It's 8:30 on a Monday morning and I am not a happy camper. The wind is howling outside my office window, blowing debris everywhere and creating an even larger garbage dump for me to look at. Would it be so hard for the powers that be at **The CJN** to give me an office that was bigger than a telephone booth and had a view of the swimming pool at a women's health club?

Well, enough of my whining. I'm starting to sound too much like a **Canadian.**

Let's talk about **Israel** for a moment and the newly re-opened **Moriah Plaza Eilat.** For those of you who have not yet been to **Eilat** ("Shame on you!") you are missing one of the great vacation spots in the world with its year-round sunshine, endless variety of land and water sports and cosmopolitan cuisine.

But back to the **Moriah Plaza.** Almost all the rooms have a view of the sea (that's the **Red Sea**); all rooms are airconditioned with hair dryers, color TV and in-house video movies, direct dial telephones, mini-refrigerators and mini-bars. There are three swimming pools including a Jacuzzi and children's pool, as well as a health club, Paradise club for kids and a beautifully designed shopping arcade. So call your travel agent and book now for the winter. It doesn't matter where you stay because all of the hotels are great. What matters is that you go. So go, already.

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And speaking of winter, let's talk about the **Crown Hotel and Beach Club** on **Collins Avenue** in **Miami Beach.**

There's a new general manager, **Michael Lefkowitz** who tells me that the hotel is undergoing extensive remodelling to update the facilities. "I'm creating a resort for the whole family to enjoy," he says and adds that the hotel will offer special rates for kosher family vacation packages to **Florida** attractions.

New children's facilities and a full winter day camp are top priorities for the renovation. There will also be weekly *Theme Dinners* and holiday *Party Nights.*

But there's much more than I've got space to mention so call **Michael** at 1-800-327-8163 or 305-531-5771.

Seniors urged to protect health before leaving the country

NORTH YORK —
Canadian seniors heading south or out of the country this winter can reduce their health problems and medical costs by taking precautionary steps before leaving home.

"For seniors it's particularly important this year to protect their health — and peace of mind — in light of changes in health insurance coverage and costs," said North York's medical officer of health, Dr. Graham Pollett.

Travellers of all ages should be aware of the recent changes affecting health insurance coverage for Ontario residents while they are out of province. To qualify for the Ontario Health Insurance Plan, you must have a permanent residence in Ontario and you must be in it for any six months out of every 12.

To reduce medical problems and costs while travelling, consider these tips:

— Visit the family doctor, dentist or specialists before leaving. It's easier to deal with a familiar physician and discuss any health concerns prior to departure. When travelling it's more difficult to find an book an appointment with a doctor.

— Get all medications required for your time away and be clear on instructions for their use. Medication schedules can be easily disrupted or confused by people who are out of their usual routines. Write down the medication schedule or discuss it with a travelling companion or spouse.

— Leave medications in their original bottle. Customs officials may confiscate unidentified bottles of pills. In emergencies, doctors and nurses can immediately identify properly labelled pills.

— Keep your health card, health insurance information and medications where you can get them in a hurry.

— Find out what shots are required if you are travelling to areas known for malaria, cholera or other diseases. In North York, the Tips for Travellers line at 395-7600 provides information on immunizations and other health issues around the globe.

— Get a flu shot. Flu shots given in Canada protect against strains expected in other countries. Flu shots change every year to make sure you are protected against this year's flu strain.

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Hitler's view of art revealing

By RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

What is left to learn about Adolf Hitler and Nazi ideology? Plenty, it seems, and Swedish filmmaker Peter Cohen's chilling movie *The Architecture of Doom* provides the lessons.

The Nazis' thinking was built on the foundation of racial purity. Blue-eyed, blond Aryans, after ridding Germany of the pestilence of Jews, Bolsheviks and other undesirables, would rebuild the nation and never again engage in race-mixing or other steps that would weaken the German Volk.

Driving that twisted philosophy was the Nazis' self-styled mission to beautify the world, starting with Germany, which had become ruined and defiled. Only through returning to ancient ideals of beauty would the Reich be saved from decadence.

Hitler, it seems, was a nut on art and architecture, a classical renewal of which, he was convinced, would form the cornerstones of the 1,000-year Reich. A failed artist and would-be architect, he was deeply moved by the music of Richard Wagner and fascinated by Teutonic mysticism. But he was also repulsed by "degenerate" art and longed for a return to the disciplined artist who could create works worthy of the Nordic legacy.

Proclaiming an end to "lunacy in art," the Fuhrer in 1937 established the annual Great Exhibit of German Art to showcase politically correct German painters and sculptors. Hitler himself purchased thousands of works. And here's where Cohen makes his point, for right next door to the bland statues of ancient nymphs, well-muscled men and paintings of German farming families gazing into a sunset are grotesque medical photographs of the physically and mentally disabled.

For the Nazis, Cohen argues, modern art was one of several diseases afflicting the Volk. Among the others were so-called "idiots, retards and imbeciles," as well as anyone unfortunate enough to have been born blind, deaf or "racially deformed." The disabled were a burden on society and somehow dirty; cleanliness was drummed into good Germans, who were reminded incessantly to wash themselves and keep their workshops and homes spic and span.

Dirty too were Jews, who are referred to by Hitler himself as microbes and parasites that have invaded the German body. Nazi propaganda films like *The Eternal Jew* liken Jews to vermin and rats despoiling sacks of grain.

Cohen, whose father emigrated from Germany to Sweden as the Nazis rose to power, has assembled an impressive collection of film clips from the period. Newsreels and propaganda films, rare archival footage and documentaries showing Hitler's fascination with art and grandiose, overdesigned buildings — the bigger, the better — combine to form a powerful thesis: that Auschwitz and Zyklon B gas, a pesticide, were the logical conclusions to a Germany hell-bent on keeping a clean, orderly house.

The more powerful revelation in Cohen's film is that the Nazis managed to create an atmosphere in which cruelty was accepted as necessary for the "beautification" of the state. Thus came the pre-war euthanasia program dubbed T-4, in which thousands of mentally and physically disabled, first having been sterilized, were put to death in nondescript buildings around Germany, their chimneys spewing bits of human hair on the populace.

Instead of showing the death camps and mass graves so common in films about Nazi Germany, Cohen instead gives us a glimpse into the state hierarchy's esthetic outlook; it turns out that many in Hitler's command were failed artists, poets and writers, while Hitler's personal architect, Albert Speer, used his boss's pedestrian old drawings to design gargantuan structures around Germany, modeled on ancient Roman and Greek lines.

The major drawback to the film is the clumsy translation of the German narration to English subtitles. The movie, running just over two hours, could also use some editing.

But as social and cultural history, it is invaluable. Cohen has made a lucid and shocking movie about beautifying the world through violence, which has lessons for today.

The Architecture of Doom has a limited run. It is being screened at the Art Gallery of Ontario's Jackman Hall on Nov. 6, 9, 10 and 13. Call 932-FILM for showtimes.

Eye on Arts

The Royal Academy of Arts presents a major retrospective exhibition running until Nov. 28 at the John Black Aird Gallery.

The exhibition, featuring the sculptures of Leonhard Oesterle and the tapestries of Tamara Jaworska, will be officially opened on Nov. 5 at 6 p.m.

Oesterle carves in soapstone, alabaster, marble or limestone or granite. As well, he builds up his sculptures with wax, clay or plaster, eventually casting them into their bronze forms.

Oesterle was imprisoned for almost nine years in Dachau and other concentration camps during World War II. In 1943 he escaped to Switzerland.

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The NCSY 14th annual concert will be held at the Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue on Nov. 21 at 8 p.m. featuring Martin Davidson and his band Yachad & Israeli teen singer Yehuda.

Seventeen-year-old Yehuda, who is a singer and songwriter, will open the concert. He returns after last year's successful NCSY concert. Yehuda has already released his first album and was voted number one New Jewish Singer for 1992 in North America.

Davidson and his band Yachad are the feature entertainers. Winners of the Jerusalem Song Festival, the Israeli Chassidic Song Festival and voted Israel's 1992 Entertainers of the Year, Davidson and Yachad had Israel's top song in August.

This year's concert is also being billed as a testimonial evening in honor of Rabbi Nossom and Sarah Westreich. Rabbi Westreich, who directed NCSY for the past six years, recently retired and moved to Hamilton with his family to return to McMaster Medical School.

For more information call NCSY at 782-4426. Tickets are also available at the Negev and Israel's book stores.

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The Jewish Community Centre of Toronto has chosen Oscar Peterson as the 1993 Arts Person of the Year. Peterson will be honored at a tribute evening on Feb. 16 at the Leah Posluns Theatre.

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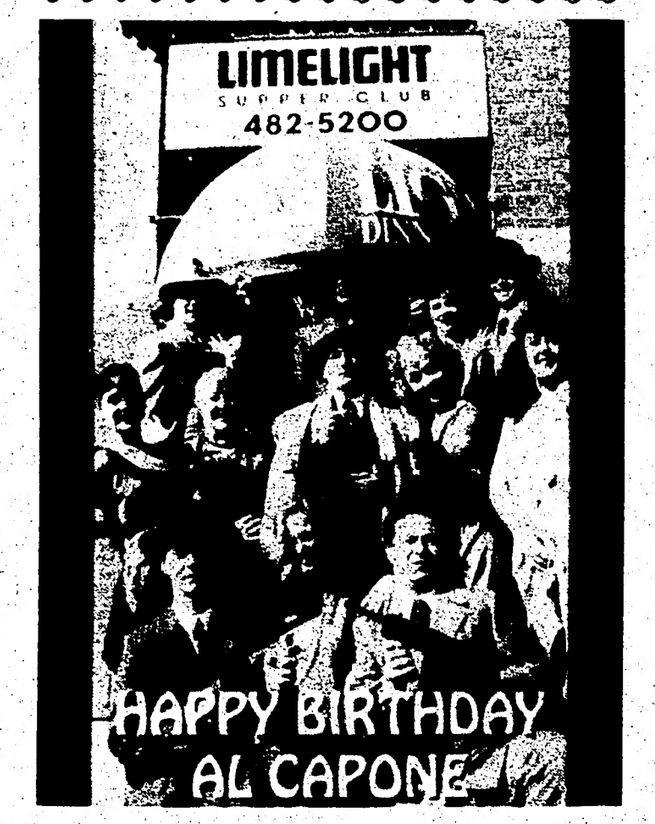

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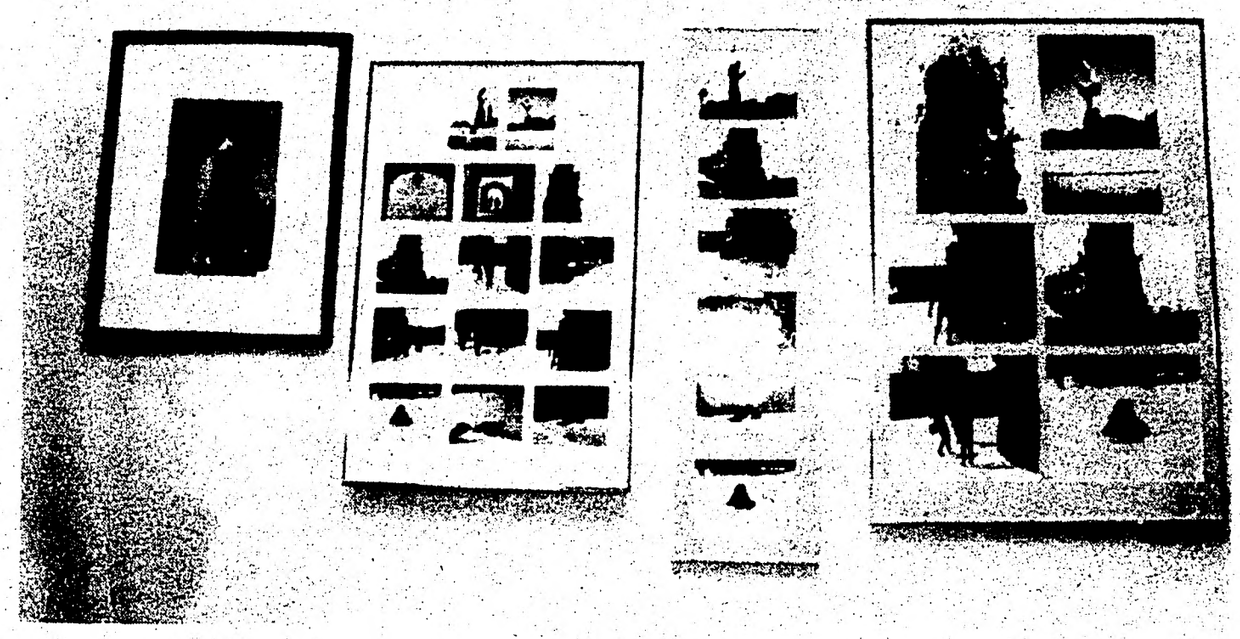

Jewish Labor Bund exhibition provides glimpse into socialist past

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Toronto Jews took a few minutes from their busy lives recently to catch a glimpse of the world of their forefathers in a display on the History of the Jewish Labor Bund at the Workmen's Circle auditorium.

It was a fascinating exhibit of hundreds of photographs and newspaper and magazine articles about the history of the men and women who fought for the socialist international. In many cases they were documents and photos rescued time and again from Tsarist police and later from the Nazis.

With captions in Yiddish, English, French, Polish and Russian, they tell the stories of the Jewish socialists of the late 19th century, of those who helped foster the Russian revolution, of those who spirited Jews out of the Holocaust carnage, and of those who brought the Jewish Bund to Canada and the United States.

A 37-minute video on these subjects was part of the exhibit.

One of the most moving panels tells the story of the Medem sanatorium in Poland, established by the Bund, where Jewish children from poverty-ridden homes were taken to build up their health in pre-World War II days. Dedicated teachers instilled a love of nature and of Yiddish culture in their students at the sanatorium.

During the Holocaust, the Nazis and their helpers transported the children to the gas chambers of Treblinka. Some teachers refused the opportunity to be saved and chose instead to die with their beloved pupils.

A Canadian memento of interest is a brochure announcing the Bund's 3rd World Conference on Friday, April 8, 1955, at the Mount Royal Hotel in Montreal. The Conference was to be opened with a play titled *Road of the Martyrs*.

The part that Bundists played on the Loyalist side in the Spanish Civil War is spelled out in the exhibit.

Also chronicled is the rise of Henryk Erlich and Victor Alter through the ranks of the socialist Bund movement to become its leaders and their death on orders of Josef Stalin.

The photos of shtetl and cheder life in Eastern Europe are truly irreplaceable. The eyes of the old Jews and of the young children speak out profoundly and eloquently of an earlier, simpler life. The mass rallies in Polish cities called by the Bund to mobilize Jewish life against the growing repression of Hitler speak of a fierce and steely resistance, countering the notion that Jews went calmly to their slaughter.

All these precious photographs, fortunately, will remain in Toronto even though the official exhibit is over. Karl Langboard, of the Workmen's Circle, who set up the show, said Toronto has been given permission to keep them here.

The Jewish Labor Bund in New York has transferred hundreds of thousands of documents, 20,000 books, and 100,000 photographs and hundreds of posters to the YIVO Institute for Jewish Research.

The Bund archives are the second largest collection in America of original documents of Jewish life in Eastern and Central Europe, said Bruce Slovin, YIVO chairman, second only to the YIVO collection itself.

Books

By BERNARD BASKIN

Political Babble — The 1,000 Dumbest Things Ever Said, by Politicians, by David Olive (John Wiley & Sons, $18.95)

This morning's newspaper carries the headline Canadian people send clear message to politicians by rejecting Agreement. Once again, politicians are made culprits, once again pilloried.

It's simply untrue that most politicians are incompetent or mere opportunists. If able men and women turn their back on politics and government, they condemn themselves — as well as the general public — to the punishment of living under bad government.

But the cynics and nay-sayers are everywhere. A citizen points out that politics is the only profession for which no preparation is necessary. And Nikita Khrushchev, of all people, declared that politicians promise to build a bridge where there is no water.

But whatever else politicians are, they are human and fallible. And in the heat of a campaign or carried aloft on the wings of oratory, they tend to say absurd and foolish things. Moreover, a modern leader is constantly under the merciless scrutiny of the media. Faults, gaffes and mistakes cannot be hidden or brushed under the rug. Silly remarks or comments by a friend can be overlooked, but when they issue from the holder of a high office, they are quickly magnified, repeated and ridiculed — sometimes around the globe.

Politicians say the strangest things

The editor of this amusing and puckish compilation has collected the stupid and thoughtless remarks of over 200 politicians, living and dead, to emphasize his point about the risks of political life. A lion's share of the quotations go to American presidents, but there are also generous contributions by such Canadians as John Crosbie, Mackenzie King, John Diefenbaker, Pierre Trudeau, John Turner and Brian Mulroney.

Actually, despite the editor's intent, some of the entries are witty, trenchant and wise — though a fair proportion of them are rather flat and jejune.

Some of the more memorable entries follow:

- "I have opinions of my own — strong opinions — but I don't always agree with them." (George Bush)
- "Gaiety is the most outstanding feature of the Soviet Union." (Joseph Stalin)
- "I've got all my enemies in the cabinet where I can keep an eye on them." (John Diefenbaker)
- "The specificity of the totality." (Joe Clark)
- "Trees cause more pollution than automobiles." (Ronald Regan)
- "Now the only thing that remains unresolved is the resolution of the problem." (Tom Wells, Ontario Education Minister)
- "It's a very good question, very direct, and I'm not going to answer it." (George Bush)
- "There's a price to be paid for democracy. There's Dan Quayle in the United States, and then there's Don Getty in Alberta." (Mordecai Richler)
- "The Secret is under orders that if Bush is shot, to shoot Quayle." (Senator John Kerry)
- "I absolutely believe President Reagan when he says he does not want to establish a state religion — that would require him to attend services." (Senator Daniel P. Monynihan)
- "When one's left wing is not working, one tends to fly around in circles a great deal." (Bob Rae)

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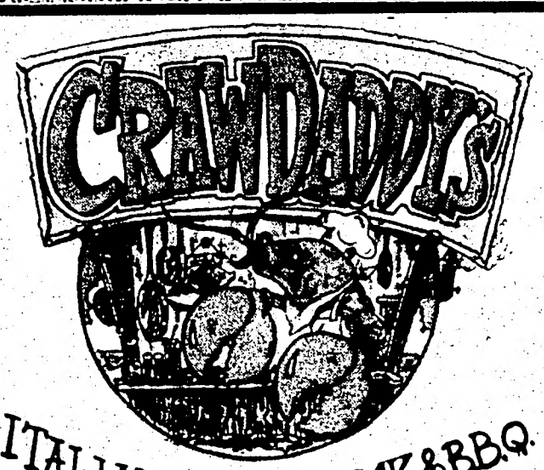

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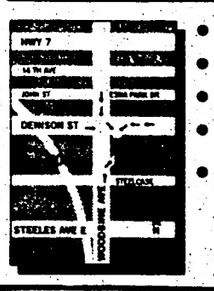

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Business Outlook

Economic restructuring predicted

By RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —
Canada's economy will continue to be sluggish "at least" halfway through next year and perhaps beyond, predicts the Bank of Montreal's chief economist.

Allan Grossman

The constitutional imbroglio means this country "is not as hospitable as it should be to investment," Lloyd Atkinson told a B'nai Brith Canada/State of Israel Bonds dinner honoring accountant Allan Grossman.

Atkinson spoke prior to last Monday's constitutional referendum, which resulted in a resounding No, but he assured his audience of some 200 that interest rates will be low no matter what the result of the vote.

Once the referendum's dust settles, rates should stabilize at 7-¼ per cent and a "de facto status quo" will likely prevail in financial markets, Atkinson said.

However, he warned that a Parti Quebecois government is a probability in Quebec before 1995, effectively scuttling any constitutional advances made with Ottawa.

Atkinson said unemployment in Canada has not yet peaked and that a period of low interest rates but low growth will continue.

Europe has "no prospect" for growth until Germany lowers its interest rates, which won't happen until inflation is under control, while Japan is in the early stages of an economic slowdown, he noted.

In Canada, there will be "a major restructuring of virtually every aspect of the economy," meaning a leaner workforce and increased use of machines and computers.

The problem plaguing Ottawa is that spending is required to kick-start the economy, but spending adds to the deficit, which dampens consumer confidence, Atkinson said.

Grossman, a partner at the firm of Orenstein & Partners and longtime member of B'nai Brith's Raoul Wallenberg Yorkdale Circle lodge, was honored by BBC and State of Israel Bonds at Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue for his fundraising for Israel.

Dinner co-chairman Michael Rosenberg estimated that the lodge has raised between two and three million dollars a year for Israel.

The evening was shot through with tension, as it coincided with game five of the World Series between the Toronto Blue Jays and the Atlanta Braves.

But organizers assured everyone that matters would move at a brisk pace, and even rented a large-screen television for those anxious to see the Jays win the big one (they lost 7-2 but won the series in game six).

Attending were BBC president Gabe Nachman and Harvey Solursh, Ontario chairman of State of Israel Bonds.

Housesitters make clients feel secure

When David Ballett returned home from vacation in 1981 to find his home burglarized he turned the break-in into a lucky break.

Ballett thought about how this break-in could have been avoided and he conceived the idea for The Housesitters Ltd., a service that arranges for bonded people to care for their home while they are away.

The Housesitters, which now has over 20 offices across Canada employs close to 2,000 sitters, mainly senior citizens and retirees, who perform an unlimited number of services from walking the dog, to watering plants to collecting newspapers and even being babysitters and companions to the elderly. "I have found that most of the seniors I employ don't work at this for the money. They do it because it gives them something to do and they like taking on the responsibility."

Burglary

Ballett says that most homes are vacant when burglaries occur. "Read the fine print on your home insurance policy and you may well be surprised to discover that your policy accepts only limited liability if your home is not visited regularly while you are away. You may find that you are not completely covered against burglary or for the damage caused by a bursting pipe."

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He adds that The Housesitters also offer a unique grandparents program which provides friendly, experienced seniors to look after your children on a live-in or hourly basis. "You can also arrange non-medical care and companionship for the elderly or diabled. Many locations provide such occasional services as supervision of contractors or repairmen, grocery shopping and house-cleaning."

Monitoring

After the initial phone call, the company assesses a client's needs and selects from their team a sitter that is most suitable. "We make every effort to provide clients with the same staff member each time service is reserved, encouraging sitters and clients to form a relationship of trust. We have discovered that seniors make the most reliable, responsible sitters because they have the wisdom of years, experience in home care, flexible hours of availability and, perhaps, most importantly, the desire to be productive."

Ballett says that other divisions of the company include The Corporate Housesitters and the brand new The Locksmithers which will take care of security needs, such as locks and alarm systems in homes, cottages, boats or automobiles in Toronto and surrounding areas.

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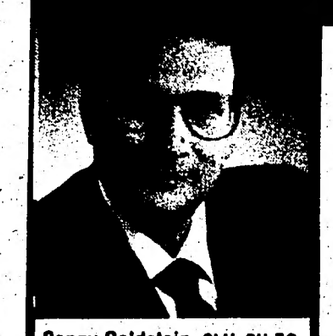
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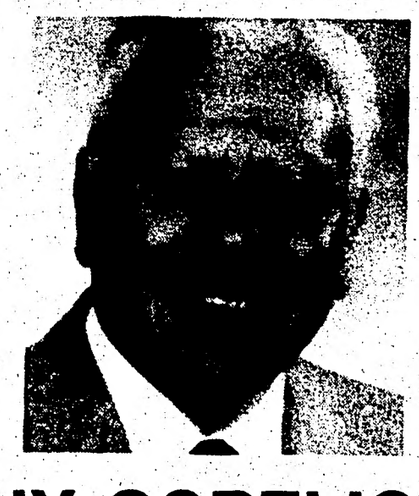
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The RIF rules are altered

By TODD A. HERZOG

In error, The CJN recently printed an article on Retirement Income Funds which omitted important changes to the rules as a result of this year's federal budget. Below is the corrected version of the article.

A comfortable retirement, free of financial worries, is something to which we all aspire. The reality, however, is that many Canadians overestimate what they will be worth at retirement, discovering too late that they have insufficient resources. This scenario can be avoided through proper planning.

Planning starts by making regular Retirement Savings Plan (RSP) contributions and investing them carefully, but it does not stop there. Proper planning is also required after you have retired. In order to make these plans, it is important that you understand your alternatives.

One of the best options available to retired investors is a Retirement Income Fund (RIF). A RIF is essentially a continuation of a RSP, except that the purpose of a RIF, as opposed to a RSP, is to provide a source of income during retirement. The accumulated funds in your RSP are simply rolled over into a RIF by December 31 of the year in which you reach the age of 71.

RIFs OFFER FLEXIBILITY

RIFs offer some important advantages, the most important of which is the flexibility to design your own pension. RIFs are more flexible than annuities since the amount and frequency of payments can be varied. You can elect to have payments made from the plan on a monthly, quarterly or annual basis, and you can change the frequency of payments whenever you like. Lump-sum withdrawals are also possible. In addition, subject to a minimum payment amount, you can vary the amount of your payments as desired. However, you should know that the amount you decide to withdraw can have a dramatic effect on the payment schedule of your RIF.

THE NEW RULES

The federal budget of February 1992 introduced changes in the legislation which governs the schedule of minimum payouts of RIFs. The concern was that under the old rules, a RIF was only guaranteed an income until age 90. The new rules are designed to provide the RIF holder with an income for life. However, whether the RIF will provide an adequate income for life depends on the initial size of the RIF and how long the taxpayer lives.

Under the old rules, a RIF holder was required to withdraw a minimum amount each year based on the number of years left until your 90th year. For example, if you are now 75, you have 15 years left to age 90. As a result, you would have to withdraw at least 1/15th of the value of the RIF in the current year. Next year, you would have to withdraw a minimum of 1/14th, and so on. At age 90, the full balance at the beginning of that year would have to be withdrawn.

Minimum amounts

Under the new rules, annual payments start at a higher level and increase steadily until age 94, at which point a flat 20 percent of the RIF is paid out each year. The new rules apply to all RIFs which are opened after the end of 1992. For RIFs that exist now, or are opened before the end of 1992, the existing minimum payment percentage will continue to apply for ages up to age 77. As the new minimum payment percentages are lower than the old minimums after age 77, the new rules will apply to all RIFs regardless of the date of purchase for ages 78 and above (however, if you open your RIF before you reach age 71, the old schedule will apply until you reach age 71).

The following table (selected years ago) illustrates the difference between minimum payout percentages under the old rules and the new.

Age at Beginning of Year	Old Rules	New Rules
71	5.26%	7.38%
75	6.67	7.85
78	8.33	8.33
80	10.00	8.75
85	20.00	10.33
89	100.00	12.71
90	0.00	13.62
94+	0.00	20.00

As you can clearly see, under the new rules, the RIF holder will receive payouts until death, whereas the old rules require that the RIF be depleted by age 90.

DETERMINE YOUR OBJECTIVES

In setting up a RIF and deciding on the amount of payments, it is critical to determine your objectives so appropriate choices can be made. If you simply want a RIF to provide a sheltered vehicle for your investments and if monthly income is not a priority, then you may decide to draw only the minimum amounts, especially in the early years.

However, if you are concerned with providing yourself with a regular income (indexed for inflation), yet leave an estate upon your death, then you can structure your payments accordingly. If at any time your objectives change, then you can alter the payment structure to meet your redefined needs. This is the most obvious benefit of a flexible RIF plan.

CONSIDER A SELF-DIRECTED RIF

To increase the flexibility of your RIF, a Self-Directed RIF can be set up (similar to your Self-Directed RSP), giving you the ability to control your own capital. Based on your objectives, you can structure your portfolio to match capital. Based on your objectives, you can structure your portfolio to match your specific needs. Keep in mind though that unlike an RSP which is designed for capital growth, a RIF is designed for security and income. In most cases, the funds in a RIF should be invested in secure, liquid investments which provide income. If you've invested in GICs, it's important to stagger your maturities to provide quicker access to funds should you require a lump-sum payment, and to provide for adequate funds to meet the annual minimum withdrawals. The option to invest in equities to combat inflation is also a significant benefit of Self-Directed RIFs.

Upon your death, your RIF will roll over tax-free to either your spouse's RIF or RSP, assuming he or she has been named as your beneficiary. If your objective is to provide an estate, then smaller withdrawals in the early years of the RIF will provide a larger sum toward the end.

When speaking with your investment advisor, ask to see what your RIF portfolio might look like taking into account variables such as your age when you start your RIF, the rate of return anticipated to be earned on your investments and any special payment amounts you may wish to make.

Also, for those considering rolling their RSP into a RIF at some point in the next year or two, it might be wise to start your RIF before the end of 1992. That way, you'll be able to defer more tax with smaller minimum payouts under the old rules until age 78, and use the new rules to further reduce your payouts thereafter.

Remember, by waiting until 1993 to start your RIF, you will be subject to the new legislation. To see if it makes sense to start your RIF before the end of 1992, speak to your investment and tax advisors now.

(Todd Herzog is an investment executive with Scotia-McLeod's North York office.)

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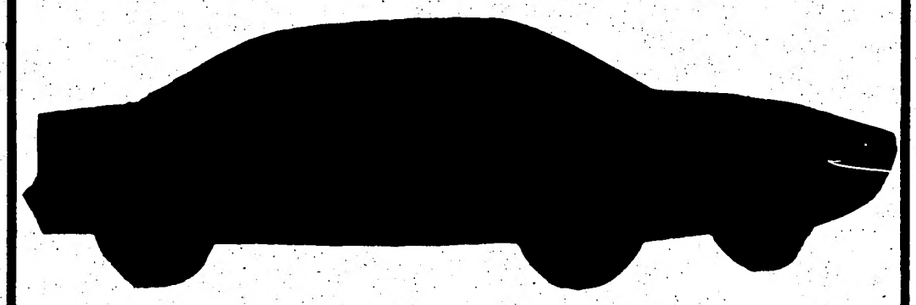

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52 Personals

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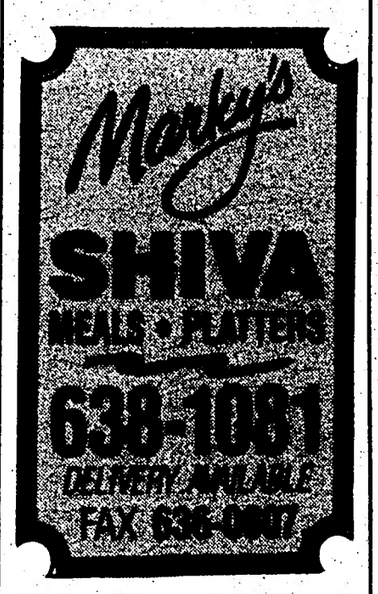

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Baycrest Honor Roll campaign starts

TORONTO —

The Men's Service Group of Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care recently launched its 1992-93 *Honor Roll* campaign.

Forty volunteers, including *Toronto Sun* publisher Paul Godfrey — this year's campaign chairman — took to the phones to canvas thousands of donors, asking them to support the annual fund drive. The Men's Service Group supports a variety of programs at Baycrest, many of them directed towards the care of elderly male patients and residents. The group hopes to raise $500,000 to mark the Baycrest's 75th anniversary.

One of their projects is the *Honor Roll*, a glossy book jam-packed with information about Baycrest's many people and programs, as well as the names of those who have decided to support the Men's Service Group with their donations. This year, for a $75 contribution, people can become a Baycrest "well-wisher" and have their names in the *Honor Roll*. "We are hoping that the community will make a special effort to offer their support in Baycrest's 75th anniversary year," says Raymond Levick, chairman of this year's campaign.

The *Honor Roll* will be distributed in the spring of 1993 at a special benefit premiere of the smash Broadway hit *Miss Saigon* which is being held in support of Baycrest Centre. The publication is also sent out to hundreds of Baycrest supporters.

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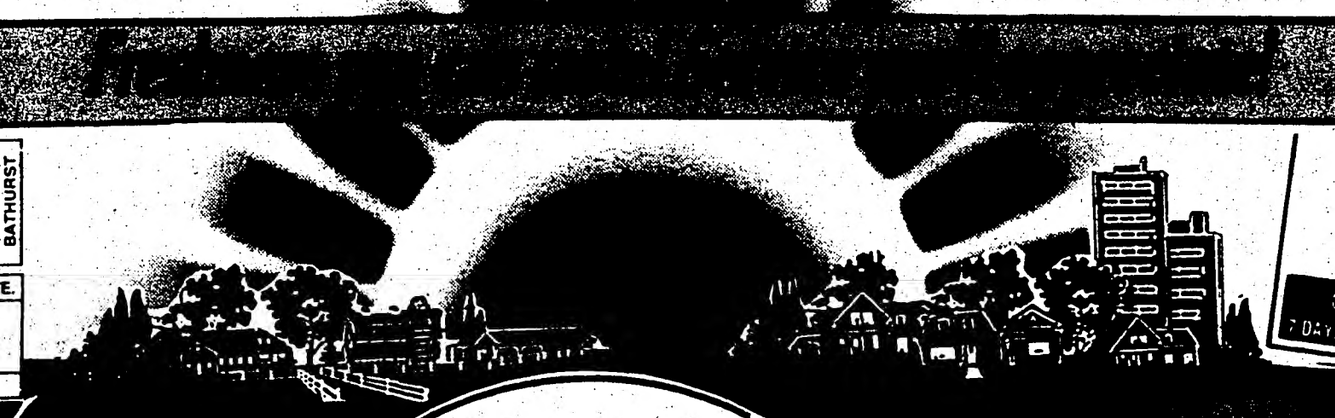

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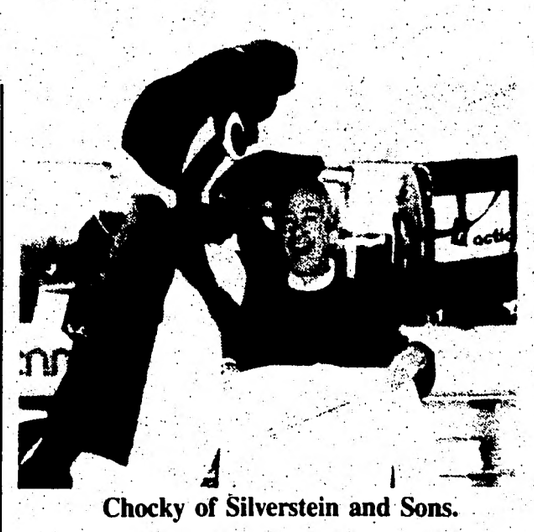

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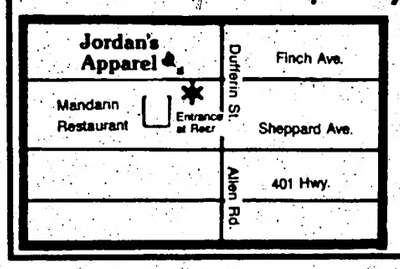

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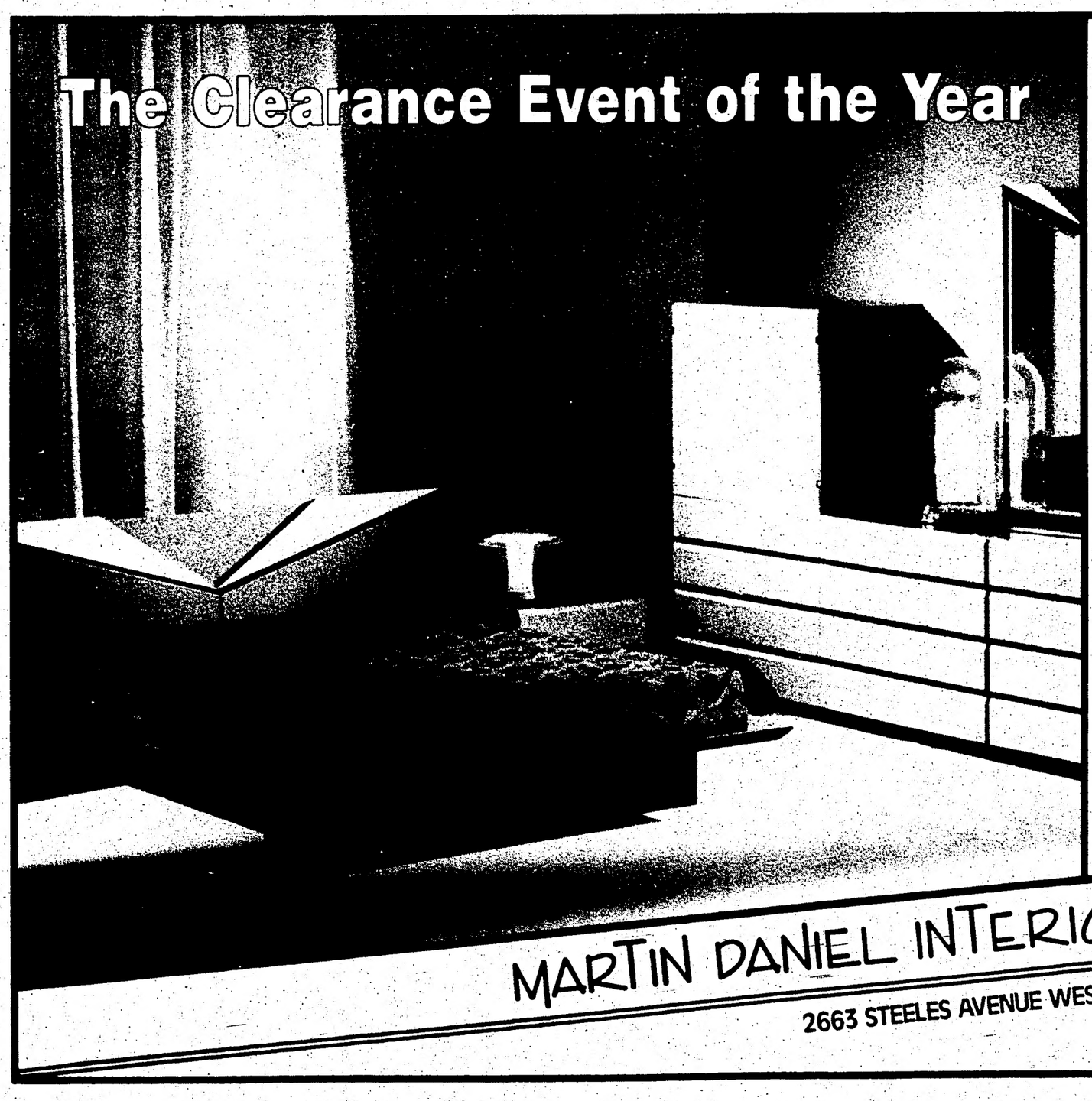

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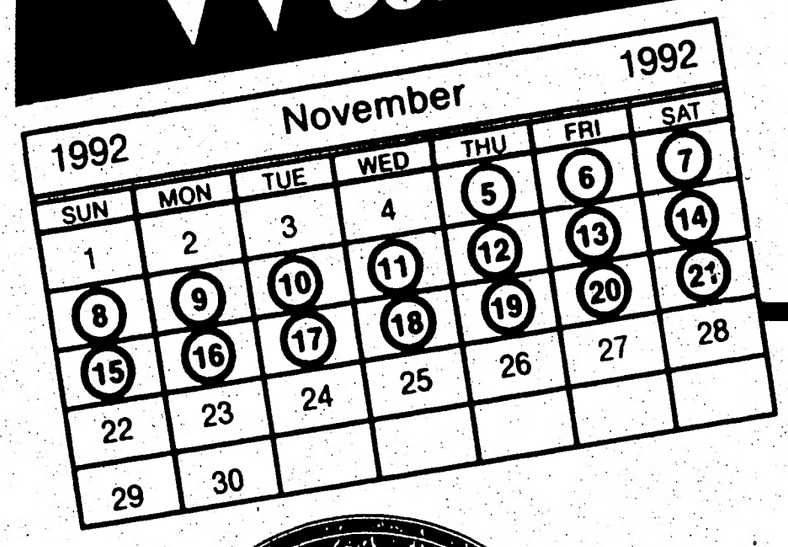

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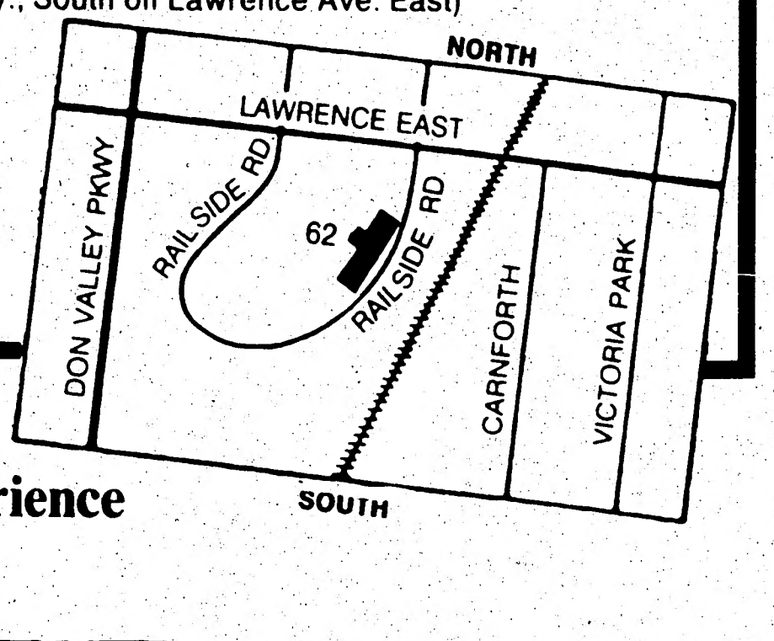

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When Anne DeBoer opened his furniture store in Toronto in 1951 his philosophy was to offer his customers good design and craftsmanship at affordable prices.

DeBoer, who was born in Holland aboard a potship, a floating furniture store, spent his youth navigating Holland's canals with his family, selling wares at each village on the route. It was here and at a future land operation that DeBoer developed his sense of fine furniture and good value.

When DeBoer moved to Canada, he maintained a commitment to product value and combined it with his keen eye for quality and design in furniture. His first store sold furniture from Holland and the Scandinavian countries and DeBoer found that Canadians, who had previously been quite traditional in their decorating tastes, eventually responded well to the clean lines of European-designed furniture.

DeBoer's son John, who handles most operations of the family-run company that now consists of five stores, continues his father's commitment to offer varied and unusual furniture styles at reasonable prices.

"We wander literally all over the world to buy our furniture. The bulk of it is Canadian, but we supplement it with products from the United States, Europe, South America and the Far East," says John DeBoer.

DeBoer says that most Canadians are quite receptive to contemporary furniture styles and "being in the forefront of the business, we try to be innovative. I wouldn't use the word educate, but we try to make people aware of what's out there."

He says that in order to maintain "a full line of contemporary and often unique furniture, DeBoer's is continually scanning the design horizons for the latest trends in color, style, texture and materials."

Sally Van Camp, marketing manager for DeBoer's, says that new furniture collections are introduced each fall and spring.

The "Lodge" look will continue to be important through the winter.

"Gaining in popularity are slipcovers — particularly a new collection of seating we call shabby chic. For those less interested in contemporary styles, DeBoer's also offers many classic, timeless items as 18th century suites, and another constant is its leather galleries," says Van Camp.

Furniture shoppers who may have some trouble picturing how an individual sofa or chair will fit into their home will be pleased to note that DeBoer's gives customers a fuller appreciation of the furniture by presenting concepts rather than individual pieces. This also serves to help them see how particular accent pieces actually accent the furniture.

The most inexperienced furniture shoppers will benefit by DeBoer's experienced salespeople, who not only have a strong background in furniture and design but continue to upgrade their knowledge and skill. "This is so important, because furniture is a big purchase and customers want to be able to ask questions and get educated answers," says Van Camp.

Even better news for customers is that the service does not end when the sale is made. DeBoer's offers full service by delivering, assembling and even arranging the furniture. "Most people do not want to be confronted with a room so full of new furniture that they are not sure how to arrange. Even worse is to receive it in pieces that they do not know how to put together. We solve all those problems," says Van Camp.

DeBoer's has five locations in the Metro area at 5051 Yonge St. in North York, Scarborough Town Centre, Dundas St. W. in Mississauga, Pickering's Design Centre and College Park at College and Yonge.

Bay Bloor Radio is tuned into great savings

Bay Bloor Radio has come a long way since Sol Mandlsohn opened the popular hi-fi electronics store 46 years ago.

Its name is now synonymous with excellence and quality in home entertainment. It has recently been named one of the top five hi-fi shops in the world by **High Fidelity Magazine** in London, England.

Although Sol is still president and chief executive officer, the day-to-day operations are handled by his son, Mark, who continues the great entrepreneurial spirit started by his father.

"He [Sol] had the ability to sense change and adapt to it. That's why we've been successful," Mark Mandlsohn says.

When Sol bought the store in 1946 it was a radio and repair shop. "My father was able to repair radios in the time it took to smoke a cigarette."

Service is still the mainstay of the operation, although it now has the space (over 10,000 square feet in the Manulife Centre) to sell all types of audio and visual products including TVs, VCRs, CDs, tapedecks and all the accessories.

Because of its location, Bay Bloor Radio has gained a reputation for being high-priced, but that is not true, Mandlsohn says.

Value added service

"We are actually very competitive. The difference is our value-added service." At Bay Bloor a customer is treated with great respect by an experienced staff which spends more time with the customer than other hi-fi stores.

"We're not too proud to sell $25 clock radios," he says. "We treat all customers equally, even if they're buying $1 tapes."

Having a strong service facility is advantageous because the employees get to know, quite literally, the ins-and-outs of a product. "We know which products are winners and can recommend the right product to the consumer," Mandlsohn says.

Bay Bloor sends out a newsletter regularly to its customers and offers two-hour free parking, a hard-to-find luxury in its downtown location. It offers home delivery, installation and good warranties on its products. Mandlsohn insists a customer can buy with confidence at Bay Bloor Radio. "If you happen to choose wrong we will take it back."

Mandlsohn expects this holiday season to be an exceptional one for the business. "I've never seen prices this low in this business; they're even lower than in Buffalo when you consider the exchange rate."

Although Bay Bloor still sells radios and turntables (10 turntables a month at last count), the industry is changing rapidly and the store is keeping up with the change. Every new technology has collateral effects. "Speakers are made differently now," Mandlsohn says. "CD technology offers dynamic range, and speakers have become better in order to project that wider range."

The most popular item is the Home Theatre (a collection of speakers and accessories) which allows TV to be watched in a theatre form with the sound surrounding the viewer. "You get more out of TV by hooking it up to your stereo. It uses both (aural and visual) senses and doubles the impact."

Anxiously anticipated this December is Sony's recordable mini-disc player. It should be available in many formats for car, portable or home use.

As the technology becomes more high-tech, the ability to use this technology becomes harder. If a customer isn't able to make all the connections, however, Bay Bloor Radio experts will explain how to do it.

Extensive training

The staff is trained extensively, not on how to close a deal, but on how to create relationships with clients and earn their trust.

"Relationships are what it's all about. My father knew this when he started the business and that's another reason we're successful," Mandlsohn says.

Some recommended gift ideas include: a Panasonic VCR with a child-proof lock; A Bodyguard that protects your remote control from damage; and a five-disc carousel-type CD changer that allows you to play up to five CDs in any order you want.

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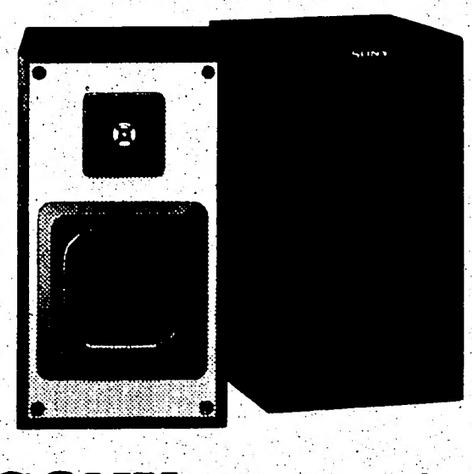

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In these times of recession, book buyers refuse to pay top dollar for something they can purchase in six months time. When books are "remaindered," by the publishers, many eventually find their way onto the shelves and tables of this remarkable shopping experience.

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Excellent condition

Don't forget to visit the 99¢ room since deep, deep discounted titles can be found. Many are "hurt" or "bruised" on the cover but the words and pictures are in excellent condition. This area proves the theory that "you can't tell a book by its cover"!

To add ambiance to the store they also sell budget-priced classical tapes and CDs. There is always glorious music playing while you browse.

You will want to make The Book Sale a regular stopping off spot, since new books are delivered each Thursday and seniors are given a 10 percent discount on Wednesdays.

Decorating delights for the bed and bath

You will find anything you ever wanted for your bathroom or bedroom at Bath N' Bedtime located in Lawrence Plaza at the corner of Bathurst and Lawrence.

From designer linens to custom-made window coverings to tumblers and toothbrush holders, Bath N' Bedtime will help you decorate those two very important rooms in your home.

Larry Minarsky who owns Bath N' Bedtime, along with his wife Shawnna, says that the store's linens are top quality percale and contain a minimum of 180 threads per square inch. "A large number of threads per inch means that the sheets are very durable and will not ball when washed. They are available in all cotton or a cotton/poly blend and the choice between the two is really up to the customer. Cotton is a little bit more comfortable in the summer but the cotton/poly blend is a little more durable."

In stock are over 50 patterns and solids including designer linens.

As for colors and patterns, Minarsky says that the dark jewel tones are still popular but pastels are also becoming quite strong. For those men who feel that floral patterns are just a touch too feminine for their taste, non-floral patterns have also become big.

Pillows are also plentiful at Bath N' Bedtime with a choice of eight different types ranging from white goose down to synthetic, again depending on the customer's taste. "We cannot really recommend a certain type of pillow because it is entirely up to the customer. What we can do is explain the different types and talk about size and firmness," says Minarksy.

Those looking for help in decorating their bedroom or bathroom will do well to talk to Bath N' Bedtime's knowledgeable staff. "Our staff will help in color co-ordination and will also explain how to measure their windows so they can come in and have their window coverings custom made. We have a full range of window treatments in more than 50 different styles ranging from valences to full drapes. Right now we only offer custom-made window treatments but we are undergoing a major renovation and plan on selling off-the-rack window coverings in the near future."

To put that finishing touch into the rooms, Bath N' Bedtime has a large number of accessories such as toothbrush holders, tumblers, wastebaskets and soap dishes. "When we say you can decorate your entire bedroom and bathroom with us, that is exactly what we mean," says Minarksy.

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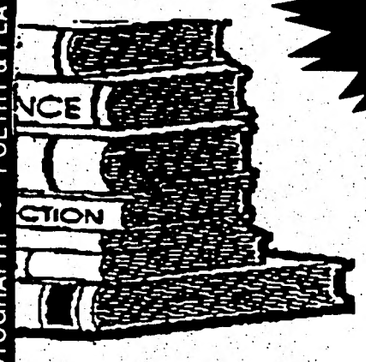

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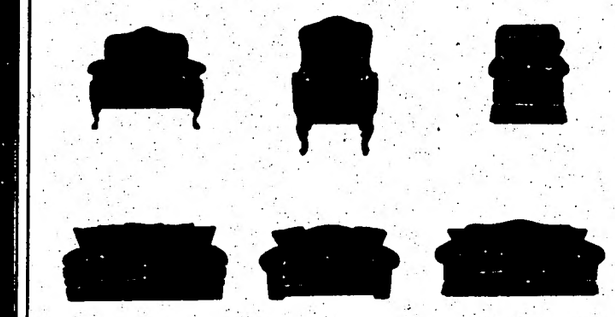

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